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## Ventria opposed by Anheuser-Busch

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"The King of Beers" has spoken, and it could mean trouble for Missouri's rice industry. Anheuser-Busch, the nation's leading beer producer, said it would not buy Missouri-grown rice for its production if Ventria BioScience were allowed to plant genetically modified rice. The GM rice crops produce the byproduct man proteins, lactoferrin and lysozyme,

used in pharmaceuticals. The beer giant is concerned about the risks of GM rice cross-pollinating with consumer crops.

The USA Rice Federation and the US Rice Producers Association also opposes the move. Vice President of Communications for the USA Rice Federation David Coia said in an e-mail statement, "The USA Rice Federation supports the use of new technologies like biotechnology; however, we recognize equally strongly the right of consumers to choose between GM and non-GM foods. We require regulatory and market acceptance before we

can support its production."

Coia also said acceptance needs to come from key export markets such as the European Union, Japan, Canada, Mexico and Taiwan.

Bob Papanos, vice president of the U.S. Rice Producers Association, said his group is not opposed to new technologies in rice production; but as it stands, consumers have zero tolerance to GM crops. He also believes if something were to happen there is no clear answer as to who would be responsible. He also said Anheuser-Busch took the first shot

but he expects other domestic consumers to do the same.

"Ventria takes the attitude there will be no problem," Papanos said. "They have the entire Missouri government and legislature on their side and it looks like a train wreck is coming."

Riceland Industries of Arkansas, the country's leading rice miller, opposes the move as well. Last week the company asked federal regulators not to approve a permit for Ventria to grow in the state. Ventria plans on planting 200 acres in Missouri this year, and eventually

expanding to 20,000 acres. Riceland told federal regulators its customers did not want to buy rice from states where GM rice is grown.

Numerous attempts to contact the company were unsuccessful.

Opponents say there is too big of a risk of pollen being transferred from a GM plant into mainstream rice consumption crops, or birds and other animals transferring seeds to consumer crops.

Ventria President Scott Deeter said the crops would be at least seven miles from any please see "OPPOSES" page 5A

## Foreign Intrigue



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Elementary aged children in Malaysia expressed interest in Northwest faculty members while they were at a McDonald's. The faculty members traveled to the region to recruit prospective international students over Spring Break.

### Instructors encourage international students to consider Northwest education

BY ASHLEY BALLY  
NORTHWEST MISSOURIAN

While students enjoyed 10 days of freedom over Spring Break, faculty members spent two weeks traveling in Malaysia and India in efforts to keep cultural diversity thriving on campus.

The trip kept the instructors busy, as they spent nearly all of their days meeting with international agents and working with presentations to entice students to travel to the States.

Dean of Booth College of Business and Professional Studies Tom Billesbach, Computer Science Information Systems Chairman Phil Heeler and Computer Science Information Systems Instructor Sri Siva traveled to Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, selected as the first stop. In Malaysia, the instructors worked at completing several goals and establishing many partnerships, designed to create a stable student exchange program, with overseas schools.

"One institution wants us to deliver an MBA program there. The other one, we are working on an articulation agreement where they would complete 80-90 hours there and then they would graduate and complete their last year here," Billesbach said. "The other one will complete the two year program and they will come here and complete it and take management accounting."

please see "FOREIGN" page 5A

## Tax Increment Financing gives positive outlook for smaller cities

BY DOMNICK HADLEY  
NORTHWEST MISSOURIAN

Competing with big business conglomerates like Wal-Mart proves no easy task for small cities—just ask Gene Swanson, city administrator of Cabool, Mo.

For Swanson, Tax Increment Financing (TIF) is the best tool for developing or revamping economic development in small cities.

Cabool's population stands at 2,100 people and is bordered by several medium-sized Missouri cities—West Plains, Mountain Grove and Houston.

Those cities, Swanson said, have three times the population as Cabool and house substantially larger shopping areas—Houston, for example, has a Wal-Mart SuperCenter.

"(Houston) has a Wal-Mart SuperCenter," Swanson said. "And, if you are on the margin and Wal-Mart comes in you have to change that game plan. You've got to compete."

More than 200 projects are underway in 49 Missouri cities and create 52,515 new jobs for the state, according to Missouri Department of Economic Development figures.

Cabool implemented TIF in 1993

with hopes of revamping its downtown business district.

Swanson said the area suffered from a number of problem areas including vacant, blighted storefronts.

After enacting TIF, the city began renovating existing buildings and was able to attract manufacturer, Positronic Industries and create 30 new jobs.

"As far as small communities go, TIF keeps us somewhat competitive with our larger cities around us. It gives us an edge," Swanson said. "It helps us develop our retail sector, and retail sales is what truly keeps cities alive."

Nevertheless, small cities like Cabool aren't the only ones utilizing TIF. Grandview, just miles south of Kansas City, approved eight TIF projects.

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## Mozingo Dam sees clean up thanks to campus volunteers

BY KYLIE McDONOUGH  
NORTHWEST MISSOURIAN

Pop bottles, glass and cans once polluting Mazingo Dam no longer pose a threat to wildlife, thanks to nearly 20 volunteers, who spent their Saturday cleaning the dam.

"We just try and clean up the dam to help our environment and the community," Justin Hamilton, president of the 102 River Wildlife Club, said.

The 102 River Wildlife Club, along with the Chemistry Club, started cleaning the dam at 11 a.m. Following the cleanup the groups had a barbecue sponsored by Hy-Vee.

"We pulled the fishing lines out so the fish don't get tangled in them," Hamilton said. "We also cleaned up glass, because we don't want anyone else getting hurt out there."

Not only does the 102 River Wildlife Club clean out the dam, they do various other volunteer work around the area.

The group is scheduled to clean a two-mile stretch northeast of Maryville on Highway 148 Thursday, April 14, as scheduled to do once every semester. They also clear brush around signs and take care of trails at Dobbins Woodland at Squaw Creek National Wildlife Refuge.

"This helps us to get involved with our community as well," Hamilton said.

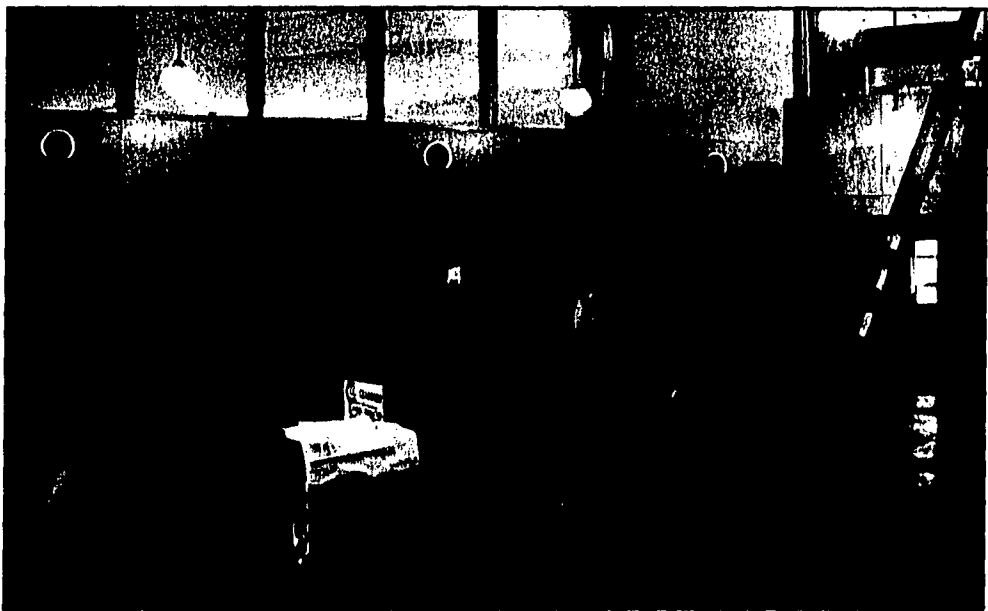


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The finishing touches are being placed on the Fire Arts building which is scheduled to open to faculty Friday. Classes will begin in the new facility next fall.

## Fire Arts Building to replace 'The Pit'

BEN KOEHN  
NORTHWEST MISSOURIAN REPORTER

Walking through the basement of the fire arts building, cables and hoses clutter the floors.

Two enormous, tentacle-like exhaust pipes wind their way down from the ceiling above welding equipment and half-finished projects. Work areas spill into each other, cross-pollinating different genres of art. Ceramic pots and busts mingle with metal workings and mannequins. This, as students call it, is "The Pit."

Northwest's art department will have much to look forward to next year. They will abandon "The Pit" for a new facility that they can call their own. One complete with windows, water fountains and fresh air. The new Fire Arts Building is scheduled

to reach substantial completion Friday, when contractors E.L. Crawford Construction will finally turn the building over to the University for ownership. After Friday, main construction will be done and only small tasks such as minor electrical work, street lights for the parking lot and some last-minute additions will be made to the facility.

The Fire Arts Building, scheduled to open to the faculty April 4, was delayed due to minor setbacks according to Associate Director of Facility Planning David Duvall.

"It's pretty amazing that during the course of a 16-month project, we've only missed (the opening) by two weeks," Duvall said. "That's pretty good shooting."

After Friday, professors may move into the building but will not teach classes there until next fall.

"The Pit," which gained its notorious

nickname from the dungeon-like setting of the basement in the fire arts building, was originally meant to be a storage basement. As years passed and the art department gained more courses, the basement became more and more crowded with metal, wood and pottery crafting areas.

"This is kind of a gloomy building," faculty member Glenn Williams said. "This new building is going to boost morale. It's going to make us more attractive."

The new building will not only look better than the current facilities, according to Williams, but it will also be more functional. The new building will be divided into two sections; one section designated for ceramics and the other for sculpting. Inside the main lobby of the building glass walls run alongside the hallway, allowing visitors please see "ARTS" page 5A

Hounds hosted their annual invitational meet  
Please see Sports for more information



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**FRIDAY**  
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Low: 46

**SATURDAY**  
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Low: 51

**SUNDAY**  
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High: 75  
Low: 53

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## Student work honored by University during week

BY MARISSA EBELING  
NORTHWEST MISSOURIAN

The University plans to spend the week acknowledging the work of its student employees for Student Employment Appreciation Week.

The week kicked off Monday with an awards ceremony. Student Employment Coordinator Paula McLain headed up the event. McLain said the ceremony served as the main event for the week, but the department gave suggestions to the employers on campus for things they could do to show their gratitude to their students.

"The week is to show our appreciation to the many student employees on this campus that contribute to the function of the University," McLain said. "It's just a way to say, 'thanks'."

McLain also supervises students and said she values of the time they give and what they accomplish.

"I appreciate the fact that the student employees, specifically in our office, are resourceful and fast learners," McLain said. "They fulfill all our expectations."

According to McLain, the university employs about 900 students, outnumbering the faculty and staff as University employees.

The ceremony acknowledged student employees in several different areas. Honors awarded include: Northwest Student Employee of the Year, Supervisor of the Year and Outstanding Team of the Year.

Senior computer science major Joshua Christensen won the Outstanding Recommendation for Quality of Work and also is a member of the CITE team, which won Outstanding Team of the Year. Christensen said he most enjoys his freedom in his job of developing software for the office.

"I feel it's a great opportunity to get into what I'm going to do after college," Christensen said.

Victor Chinin Beule won Northwest Student Employee of the year and Missouri Student employee of the year receiving a certificate and a check for \$75.



PHOTO BY ADAM WATSON/NORTHWEST MISSOURIAN  
Taylor Tholen lets a Frisbee fly during the Ultimate Frisbee tournament held on campus Saturday. The tournament was held to support the new Nodaway County Humane Society with proceeds going toward their operating budget.

## Tournament a flying success

BY SEAN COMER  
NORTHWEST MISSOURIAN

Nodaway County's furrier friends received a much-needed helping hand, while Northwest students got a chance to enjoy mild spring weather.

Last Saturday, a group of Family Resource Management students held an ultimate Frisbee tournament in College Park to benefit the new Nodaway County Humane Society. The project fulfills a class requirement that students plan, implement and evaluate a community service project.

The four girls put together a project no other group in Family and Consumer Sciences professor Lauren Leach's class ever tried before: a charity sports tournament. However, their idea actually came about when a proposed spaghetti dinner fell through.

"We were going to work with Paglia's and have a charity dinner with them, but Paglia's already had another company they were doing a dinner with," senior co-organizer Heather Boydston said.

"This was kind of a last-minute project we thought of. There's always softball and basketball tournaments, and we wanted to get something that Maryville doesn't have every day."

However, when the initial sign-up deadline for teams rapidly approached, the girls had a problem: no registrations.

The girls had already planned their follow-up analysis of why the project had failed when teams started sending last-minute applications.

"We push them on goals," Leach said. "They have to articulate specific goals, and their goal was to have six teams participating. It was getting close to the deadline and they were scared, then the next day I got this e-mail saying 'We've got teams!'"

With six teams ready to go, the girls staged the six-team, round robin tournament. Though sunny, the wind became a factor, whipping the frisbee everywhere.

The girls even had a few special "guests" at the event: Humane Society board member Marlene Thompson showed up with some dogs from the Hu-

mane Society to provide spectators with information about adopting a pet.

By staging the tournament, the girls raised \$330 dollars in proceeds alone. However, the girls received another surprise from the Humane Society: a special grant from an anonymous donor.

"The people from the Humane Society told us on Saturday that any money raised this year, the grant is going to double that money," Boydston said.

The Humane Society, which receives its support from a combination of proceeds from adoptions and some support from Maryville and Nodaway County, experiences some operating funds shortages, as well as paying off the debt on their new building. The girls had not yet decided to which area they wanted to donate the proceeds from the tournament.

Every time one of my student groups tries something new, I'm always apprehensive about how it's going to turn out," Leach said. "But then I'm always gratified that they do things I didn't know could be done."

## Students rally to create awareness of crime victims

BY SAMUEL MUCHIRI  
NORTHWEST MISSOURIAN

Dozens braced against a cold spring evening to attend a glow stick march from the Northwest Bell Tower to the Maryville Courthouse Tuesday to wrap up the second day of the 25th National Crime Victims' Week.

The march started at 7:45 p.m., topped by a proclamation given by Maryville Mayor Mike Thompson. During the event, a letter from Rep. Brad Lager and poems by Linda Steinke and Robbie Moses were read to the audience.

"Thank you" awards were also issued to community service agencies, followed by breaking of glow sticks and a prayer by Rev. Mandye Yates.

The ceremony was part of a series of events sponsored by Collegiate Coeds for Change, the University Health Center, the University Counseling Center, Domestic Violence Council, Maryville Treatment Center, and the Children and Family Center of Northwest Missouri, to create awareness about crime.

Virginia Murr, Assistant Director of the University Health Center, said the events focused to highlight child abuse, sexual assault, elderly abuse, domestic violence and all forms of violence as a problem in our community.

"All kinds of violence happen in our community, not just in big cities, but here in Northwest Missouri," Murr said. "We want victims to have every possible chance for help and we want to do everything we can to prevent crime."

Carmelita Maxwell, a Children and Family Center of Northwest Missouri, Victim advocate for the non-profit organization that serve victims of domestic violence and sexual assault was glad that the shelter was empty but she feels concern for victims of violence who are scared to come out and share their plight.

"I would hope to put more awareness to the Maryville area that victimization does happen and it is part of our world and affects everyone nationwide," Maxwell said.

In 2004, CFCNW served 208 victims of domestic violence, nine adults of sexual assault and one abused elderly.



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Collegiate Coeds for Change members from left, Carrissa Phillippe, Mon White and Maria Meinen, can together with other citizens Tuesday National Crime Victims' Week.

Ashley Stanard a member CCFC, a campus based organization with the purpose of making a difference on campus and off campus specializing on crime has her heart set on bringing change to the community. "I got involved with CCFC because I thought CCFC would help change the view of people our age about violence," Stanard said. "It's all of us will make a difference not just group."

The week's events jump-started Monday with a video shown by CCFC aimed to enlighten students about violence.

Students and Maryville residents placed stones and brick, with victim names and year they were abused Wednesday at a walkway at the Children and Family Center to pay tribute to victims.

Students and Maryville residents will also plant trees Thursday in honor of victims at Mazingo Lake Kiwanis Shelter at 9 a.m.

On Saturday, volunteer work at Children and Family Center at 10 a.m. to make ground ready for planting an open house will sum the week's activities.

Director of Health Services, Jer Wilmes marched Tuesday on the "Light the Way" ceremony in an effort to create awareness.

"A big step is awareness of the problems of violence in various forms in our society and I think awareness is the first step to addressing the problem," Wilmes said. "Awareness will generate a snowball effect for other people to get involved to stand up and have a voice."



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# safety blueprint outlines issues of state roadways

SAM MUCHIRI  
NORTHWEST MISSOURIAN

In an effort to reduce traffic fatalities, the Missouri Coalition for Roadway Safety recently released a 62-page "Blueprint for Safer Roadways."

According to Highway Patrol communications officer Connie Duis, approximately 1,422 traffic fatalities occurred on Missouri roads in 2004 and 294 traffic fatalities this year—making Missouri roads the third deadliest in the nation.

The blueprint outlines key problem areas affecting state roads: serious crash types, high-risk drivers, special vehicles and vulnerable roadway users.

The blueprint also indicates issues on northwest Missouri roadways including multiple vehicle collisions, horizontal curves, aggressive driving in bad weather conditions

and distracted, fatigued drivers.

The state issued \$2 million in funding, to be divided among 10 MoDOT districts to combat some of the issues.

According to Jackie Wilson, Northwest Missouri Regional Council of Governments, no specific amount has been allocated to the area. But she hopes to see some changes in area road conditions.

"What I would hope to see is some of the child safety seats will come to agencies here for distribution and not be localized in the district office in St. Joseph," Wilson said.

Public Safety Director Keith Wood also hopes the blueprint will address safety belt usage.

"If we can reduce fatalities in rollover accidents, we can save some lives," Wood said. "I don't like wearing a seatbelt but statistics show they save lives."

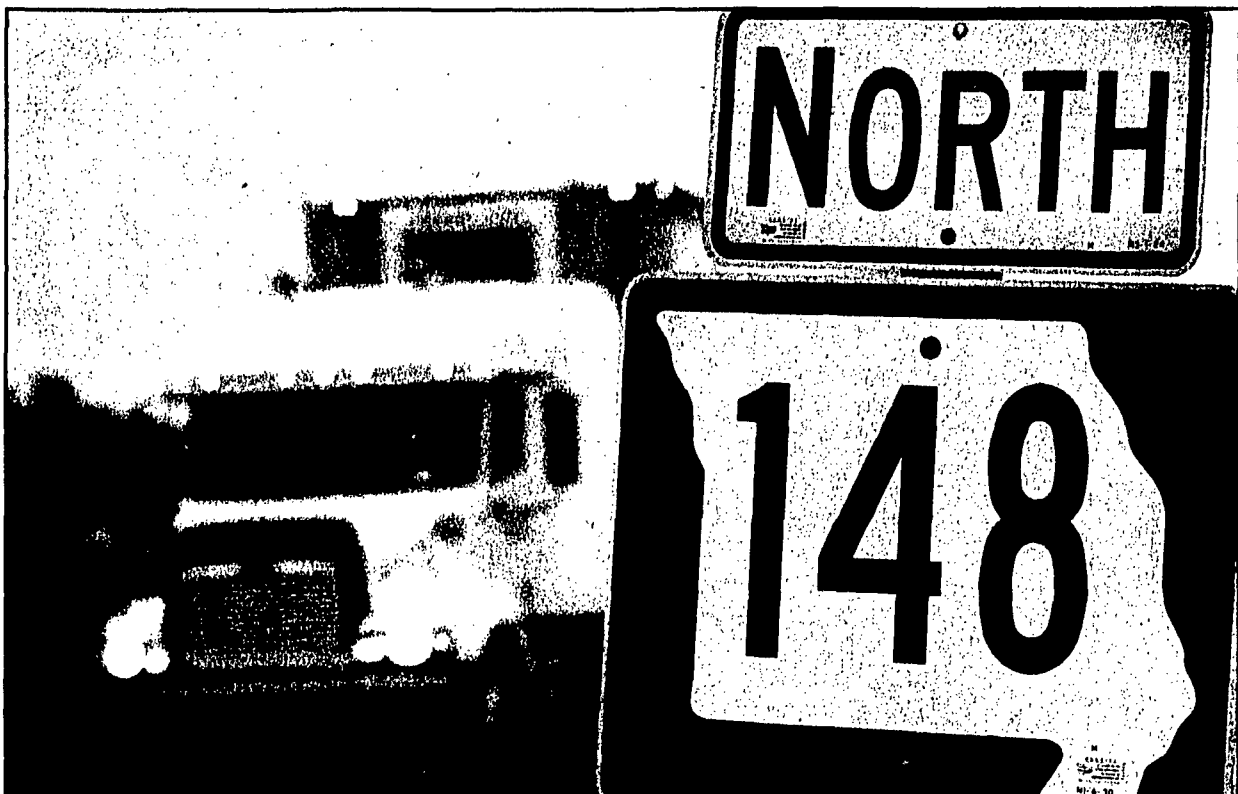


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A semitrailer journeys along Missouri Highway 148. The Missouri Coalition for Roadway Safety recently issued a 62-page "Blueprint for Safer Roadways". The blueprint outlined several problem areas in roads across the state, including issues affecting northwest Missouri.

# Interchange project put on hold

BY KELSEY GARRISON  
NORTHWEST MISSOURIAN

Plans to build a diamond interchange at the intersection of U.S. 71 Highway and Business 71 sit at a halt because of a lack of funding.

The interchange, shaped like a diamond, would help ease the flow of traffic between the intersection—allowing vehicles to move between roads without crossing another line of traffic.

The project was a part of a \$284 billion transportation bill recently passed by the Missouri House of Representatives.

The project was included in an early version of the bill, but excluded from the final version.

Dean Brookshier, spokesman for Congressman Sam Graves, said there is still hope for the interchange project.

"The money targeted for the project has been pulled from the bill and it does not mean that the project won't be funded, it just needs to be reprioritized," Brookshier said.

# Council denies rezoning request

Vote halts multi-unit  
complex; area residents  
express concerns

DOMINICK HADLEY  
NORTHWEST MISSOURIAN

Maryville City Council members voted unanimously Monday against a rezoning request converting a single-family residential property on North Avenue to a multi-unit rental unit.

Property owner Chris Burns recently demolished an abandoned home at 121 North Ave., in order to build a multi-unit duplex.

Neighborhood residents like Jane McGary urged the council to not approve the ordinance.

McGary said the neighborhood experienced trouble from past multi-unit residents—loud noise on the weekends, used condoms on sidewalks and urinals of residents urinating in public.

Rezoning the property could possibly refresh some of those issues, she said.

"The duplexes would have a negative impact on our neighborhood," McGary said. "They're not long term and don't have the commitment that long-term residents have—keeping their places up and watching out for each other."

On the contrary, Burns believes the council decision and the residents' sentiments were unfair. He mailed letters to the 20 residents seeking input about building the duplex, and only five residents indicated concerns about the development.

"I think it was a bad decision for the community," Burns said. "(Residents') concerns were trash and traffic but my plans would provide new housing versus an abandoned property. The decision should be based on what benefits the community and the county not just individuals."

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# Districts form education cooperative; plans for alternative school in Maryville

BY SEAN COMER  
NORTHWEST MISSOURIAN

With a unanimous vote, 20 northwest Missouri school districts proved the power of unity and collective action.

Those 20 districts voted Thursday to move from being an informal organization to becoming a true cooperative of school districts known as the Area Cooperative for Educational Support (ACES).

As a cooperative, ACES's member districts contribute to a collective budget allowing each district to afford the services agreed on by the cooperative. Unused funds end up returned to the districts.

"It's a different mechanism than we've used before," Miller said. "It's mostly an expansion of services that will be noticeable."

The cooperative will provide to member districts testing and assessment ser-

vices, shared occupational and physical therapy and a social worker. In addition, ACES will start an alternative school program based in Maryville.

The school will accept referrals from all member districts. Curriculum will ideally fit the needs of students with emotional disorders and severe behavioral problems.

"It will still be a high-level curriculum," Miller said. "It's not a goof-off school. It will be focused on academics, but will still have a different approach to teaching or different setup. It depends on the kids' needs."

Maryville High School special education teacher Rita Keith welcomes the opportunity for students to receive another avenue for success.

"If they can't make it in our environment, perhaps they could make it there," Keith said. "There would be smaller numbers, a smaller student-

teacher ratio. Perhaps there, they could be successful."

Certain issues with the alternative school remain unresolved. A site has not yet been finalized, though ACES considered several.

A curriculum has not been fully developed since the structure of the school will depend largely on the needs of the students.

If approved, a pending \$200,000 Safe Schools Grant would help fund the school through the first year.

Cooperative President Kendall Ebersold said the collective action best serves the needs of the students of northwest Missouri.

"Knowing how we all fight for what is best for our individual districts, I've been very impressed with how 20 districts have cooperated to meet the needs of the students in northwest Missouri to be served by ACES," Ebersold said.



# Alpha Delta Pi - Coming Home to Northwest

Founded in 1851 and originally called the Adelphean Society,  
Alpha Delta Pi was the first sorority in the world.

AΔΠ is affiliating with the women of Tau Phi Upsilon this spring, and we will officially  
"come home" to Northwest in the fall of 2005 as the new sorority on campus.

We will hold a separate recruitment period shortly after Panhellenic recruitment,  
when we will join the Northwest Panhellenic as its newest sorority.

We look forward to seeing you in the fall and being an active part of the Northwest community!

If you have transferred to Northwest and are a member of Alpha Delta Pi from another chapter, please contact Amanda Sloan at [asloan@alphadeltapi.com](mailto:asloan@alphadeltapi.com).



## Our View

# Sinister Spikes?

With gas prices rising steadily, it's time for America to strive towards decreased oil dependency

We at *The Missourian* have a response for the constant complaints overheard concerning rising gas prices: Get over it. While this lack of sympathy may come as a shock, consider each of us are forced to fill gas tanks up with the same expensive petroleum as the rest of the nation we have come to some found realizations.

First of all, no matter how much we whine, complain or how low gas prices cannot be seen in the horizon. Even if you put the fact the price of crude oil rose from \$35 to nearly \$55 a barrel within the last year, summer travel alone makes spikes inevitable because of the increased demand. Factored in with the 2.5 trillion miles Americans drive per year, it is clear no form of relief is in sight.

So, let's not subject person who will listen to another whine about how awful it is that gas prices continue to rise and the redundant competition of who will have to drive the furthest to the summer. Instead, why don't we focus such energy on working towards decreased oil dependency, or just accept reality and the constant complaining?

Here's another fact to silent the masses: The United States consistently boasts the lowest gas prices, yet consumes more than virtually every other industrialized country.

So, let's think about how rough we have it paying our \$2.50 per gallon and might have to make minor cut backs to compensate. Instead, let us ponder of the thought that in Canada oil prices are steadily reaching \$3.26 per gallon and how that isn't even the highest. In some European countries such as Italy and Germany, prices can reach an excess of \$4 per gallon.

We can also counter the affects of the rising prices through many easy methods, involving something of an attitude adjustment.

Car choice would be a lovely place to start. We find it ironic that a man will drive a Hummer by day and complain about rising gas prices by night.

In a day and age when obesity is more of the norm than an exception, it also seems very ironic Americans do not counter the influx in prices by utilizing carpools, mass transit (when available) or riding a bike, especially with warmer weather upon us. We should embrace this opportunity to explore options besides feeling livid every time we remove the cap to fill our gas tanks.

It's also easy to point the finger of blame at the gas stations, themselves. But we beg the question, why would gas stations charge less than market price? If the price of crude oil rises, gas stations must compensate or lose money.

The old saying goes, if you point the finger of blame you have four pointing back at you. It's time for Americans to realize we can lay the blame wherever we wish, to make ourselves feel better, but we are just as much to blame as the government, gas stations or any other entity.

Unless we start making huge lifestyle changes to compensate for this inevitable change, there's only one thing left to do: Get over it.

## Floridians shoot first, ask questions later

### My View



DENNIS SHARKEY  
CHIEF REPORTER

Just last week, the state of Florida's legislature took a very scary step backward toward the days of the "wild, wild west."

The Republican-run houses both approved a bill allowing someone to open fire on anyone who they see poses a threat to them. Current state laws say property owners have the right to "shoot and

kill if their home or car is invaded by an unknown assailant." The old law also said if confronted in public, he or she must try to avoid or flee before taking any violent steps.

Gov. Jeb Bush said he intends to sign the bill and it would become effective Oct. 1.

When asked about signing the bill, Bush said, "It's a good, common sense, anti-crime issue."

Since when is shooting someone not a crime, Mr. Bush? Outraged opponents of the bill say it will lead to a "shoot first and ask questions later" mentality, and supporters say criminals will be twice as likely to think about committing a crime.

No, they won't! When has a criminal ever thought about the consequences of their actions?

Almost never; that's why they're called criminals.

We should encourage people to find alternatives to violent actions, not encourage people to open fire whenever at any sign of trouble. Where does the Florida government draw the line? The bill makes no exceptions, and there is no clear

statement of what constitutes a bad decision.

If someone in high school is getting bullied on the way home from school, should that person have the right to take the law into their own hands and kill the bully?

What about a disgruntled ex-wife who can't stand the sight of her ex-husband? What about rage erupted due to a car accident? There are a number of situations you could come up with, but lawmakers in Florida didn't think about anything except for what the National Rifle Association told them.

Florida State Representative Dennis Baxley, a Republican who sponsored the bill, said, "Criminals will know the public has the full backing of the law."

Maybe Mr. Baxley, also a funeral director, is experiencing hard times in the business and wants things to pick up. He will most certainly get his wish with the passing of this bill.

Prosecutors and law enforcement officials oppose the plan.

Do you think they might be worried about an increase in violent crime?

In a St. Petersburg Times story published last week, a woman named Helen Harmon was quoted, saying, "It's one added step of protection for the times we live in."

Harmon and her husband patrol their neighborhood on weekends, looking for suspected prostitutes and their customers. The couple says sometimes those people throw bricks and kick their cars. These are the exact people who scare the hell out of me, and will probably be some of the first people we will hear about shooting someone.

If the Harmons were smart, they would call the police and let the police do the job of enforcing the law. It's like walking through a yard with angry dogs and shooting them after they bite you. How about avoiding the situation and people won't throw bricks at your car.

Two pieces of advice for Florida's citizens. Invest in bulletproof vests and bulletproof vest manufacturers.

## Lucky's recent suspension proves soft considering violations

### My View



AARON BAILEY  
SENIOR REPORTER

In a college town like Maryville, the issue of underage drinking becomes magnified, as minors constantly test retailers and bar owners by trying to obtain alcohol.

Recently, Lucky's Bar and Grill received a two-week suspension for 23 violations for minor in possession and sales to minors. The suspension may begin Monday, depending on an appeal—which, on a side note, makes me wonder if the appeal is just to delay the suspension until school lets out...hmm.

Earlier this month the Maryville City Council heard Lucky's owner, Jason Tobin, make a plea for leniency. But the council made the point Lucky's had been cited in 2001 and received a 48-hour suspension. But from Jan. 27-28, Lucky's still received multiple citations.

"I do what I can to control it. I ask (the bartenders) not to sell to minors, but

there's only so much I can do," Tobin told the council.

Here's an idea: Be accountable for your business and your employees. If Tobin made a legitimate attempt to rectify the problem, Lucky's wouldn't be in this situation.

In fact, the two-week suspension is nothing considered the continued lack of concern and accountability for this problem. I know this column will be unpopular with a lot of students, because it's an unspoken truth on our campus that Lucky's is where freshman have a chance to get served.

I would be remiss if I didn't address that minors themselves have a responsibility to obey the law. I know that it is wrong that a person can vote and die for their country but not be able to walk into a bar and get a drink. If I had my druthers, the drinking age would be lowered to 18 but hey—it's 21, and that's the law.

And that's where I'm getting at with this

whole diatribe—accountability becomes extinct in this age of "pass the buck."

It's either: a) "I didn't know I couldn't do that." b) "That's not fair, I should be allowed to do that." c) "My employees should be responsible," or d) "The White House just went off faulty intelligence; we were told there were weapons of mass destruction in Iraq." Man, just when I thought I could get through an entire column without a shot at old W—I guess why break suit?

We're all human and we all make mistakes. But what separates those who *want* to be better people and those who *become* better people is the ability to stand up and take responsibility for mistakes.

I hope Tobin accepts the decision of the council by not appealing this *very* light sentence, and uses this opportunity to right a wrong and make a concerted effort to serve his community by watching his employees more carefully.

## Your View

### What are your plans for this summer?



"I am going to my sister's wedding this summer, as well as taking a trip to Chicago in June."

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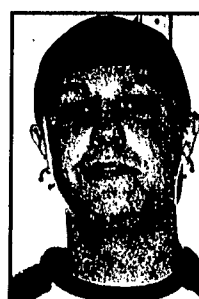
"I am going to be working all summer so I can pay off school next year."

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"This summer a buddy and I are living down at this lake house at the Lake of the Ozarks all summer. We will also be working at Target."

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## FOREIGN: Faculty return from trip

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Recruiting efforts became the main focus when the faculty members reached India. While in India, they traveled to Delhi and Hyderabad. In the process of recruiting they met with 222 students in a period of four days. Students were interested in all aspects of Northwest; primarily in the masters of applied computer science degree program through Northwest College, according to Billesbach. "We won't get all of the 222; first of all, they are there to get information about Northwest," Billesbach said. From 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. we set up conference seminars where students could come in and view a powerpoint presentation. After the presentation we would have a Q&A session and talk to the students."

The presentation is comprised of information on the location of the University and a photo tour of campus. Information about programs and pricing are the most frequented topics, according to Heeler.

Currently on the Northwest campus there are 50 students from India which, according to Siva, is by far our largest international group. Siva, originally from Malaysia, takes

responsibility for stepping up recruiting efforts from these areas in recent years.

"I think (the trip) worked very well because I know what it is like to be them," Siva said. "When I talk to them I try to tell them about my experiences because I was an international student as well. So, I know the expectations and I try to help them through that transition."

Much of the continued progress is credited to Siva and his continued efforts to achieve diversity on campus.

"(The recruiting program) has grown since Siva started the program three years ago," Heeler said. "It has gone from 30 to 50 students now. We expect it to continue now."

The recruiting trip is expected to be a success due to the applications students have filed and the amount of interest received from the presentations.

"We expect another anywhere from 20-30 to be coming next fall," Billesbach said. "This helps our revenue of course, and helps to provide us with cultural diversity because this is another part of the world."

Although the trip remained strictly business, the recruiters did have the opportunity to experience different culture and see a few different things.

"We saw ox carts and camels pulling stuff in the middle of the highway; cows sleeping in the road, because cows are sacred," Billesbach said. "One day we looked out, I can't believe it till this day, there on the main drag going against traffic is an elephant. It was just walking completely normal and cars are just flying by. It'd be like a bull laying down in the main drag of Maryville."

When thinking back on the progress and students they met on the trip, many stand out. According to Billesbach all of the students they met with were extremely intelligent with promising futures.

One student interested in the program achieved a 690 on the Graduate Management Admissions Test—achieving a 600 is considered a great accomplishment. A score of 690 is high enough for admittance to any Ivy League school and he is interested in coming here, Billesbach said.

"This student is currently serving in the Indian Army and is interested in coming to the states for his MBA," Heeler said. "In the army, he had 270 enlisted men or 27 officers under him. Northwest was one of his top choices for quality."

## Chalk it up

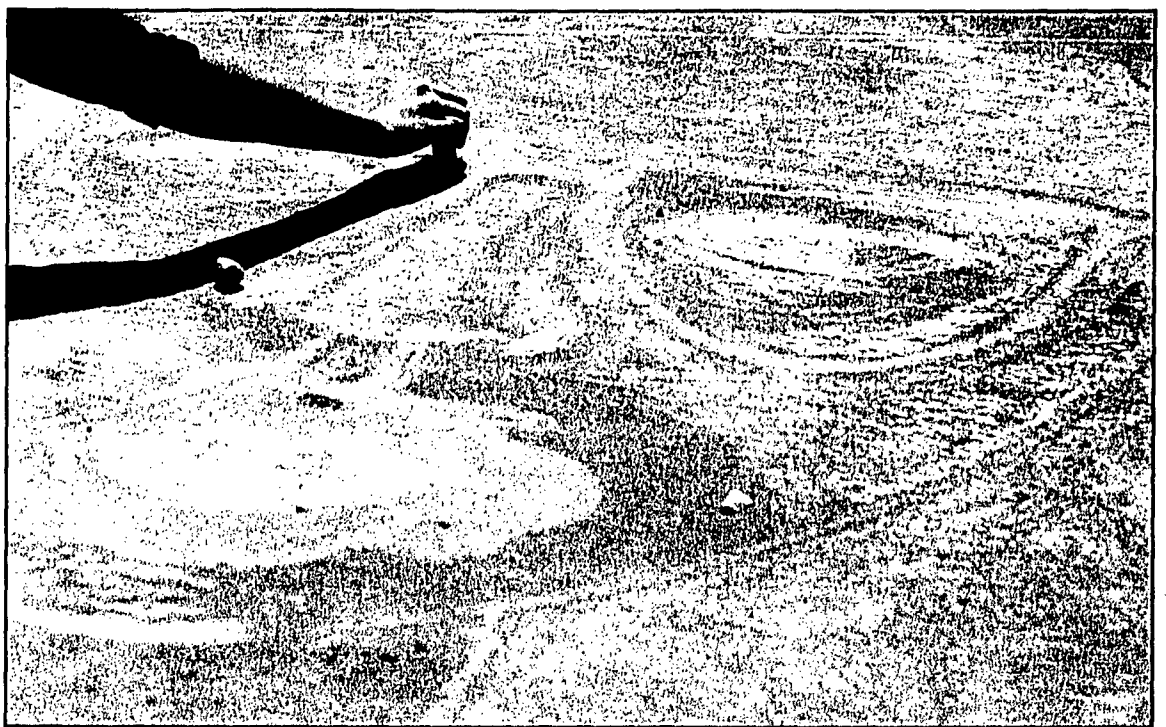


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Alpha Sigma Alpha members chalk a picture of Napoleon Dynamite outside the Union Wednesday afternoon. The "Chalk Draw" was one of several events throughout Greek Week, which ends Sunday with awards.

## OPPOSED: Beer company rejects modified crops

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other rice crop. The USDA requires only a quarter of a mile and that cross-pollination is impossible. The GM rice crops are a much cheaper way to acquire the proteins used. It can cost up to \$30,000 to extract one ounce of protein using conventional methods.

Northwest President Dean Hubbard said opponents of GM rice are not looking at the research, and numerous studies have been done.

"This nonsense about birds is so ridiculous," Hubbard said. "They (Riceland) have used every excuse imaginable that they won't grow next to GM crops, even though they grow next to the University of Arkansas test plots."

Hubbard said it has been proven in studies, the threat of birds carrying seeds is nonexistent. Many opponents point

to cases where GM corn crops have blown and contaminated consumer crops, but Hubbard and Deeter both said rice is self-pollinating and studies show rice pollen travels no more than 30 feet from the source.

Hubbard also said Riceland isn't really concerned about the safety of consumers, but more concerned about their "bottom line." He doesn't believe the efforts will take much weight in Jefferson City.

"It's clear to me that Riceland Industries does not want to compete with Ventria for acreage," Hubbard said. "Ventria is paying double what a farmer makes growing table rice. They're not making headway with the people who matter. The governor knows what's going on."

## ARTS: Fire Arts Building open, ready for student use

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and touring high school seniors to watch current art students at work.

Along with a more visually appealing design, the new building will also be much safer for the students and faculty. The basement has only two exits, according to Williams, and could be a potential fire hazard because of the kilns, welding and other flammable equipment in use.

An improved ventilation system adds another advantage to the new structure. Mixing clay, firing kilns and glazing pots can produce unhealthy fumes and particles in the air. The basement of the Fire Arts Building currently has very poor ventilation; vents on two glazing booths currently used do not function and an exhaust fan in the room where clay is mixed

currently blows contaminated air outside, right next to the intake fans which are supposed to blow fresh air back into the building.

Faculty member Laura Kukkee says she looks forward to the new building and the new ventilation system will be much safer for students to be around.

"When the students feel like they have good equipment and they have new surroundings, they'll be happier," Kukkee said. "It'll (also) attract new students."

Williams and Kukkee not only hope the new building will be safer, more attractive and more fun to work in; more importantly, they hope the new facilities will help produce better artists for many years.

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# 'Fever Pitch' scores grand slam

BY COLE YOUNG  
NORTHWEST MISSOURIAN

A sports movie, or a romance? That question can be reason for quite a debate when it comes time to choose a movie to watch on a Friday night.

Leave it to *Fever Pitch* to find a happy medium between both types of flicks.

"*Fever Pitch*," directed by the Farrelly brothers from Nick Hornby's memoir about his sports obsession, stars Drew Barrymore as a career woman who stumbles into a relationship with a man (Jimmy Fallon) whose world revolves around the Boston Red Sox.

From the time Fallon's character Ben holds back Lindsay's hair after some mild food poisoning, it is love at first regurgitation.

But, like any man, Ben has a problem, and his problem lasts from every February until the Red Sox end their season.

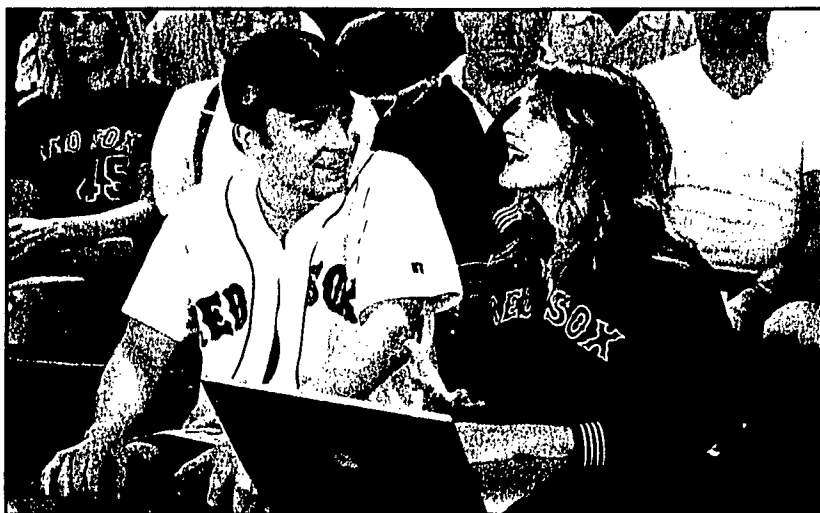
The movie contains the usual girl-meets-boy, knocks-her-off-her-feet, then screws-up-and-loses-her plotline.

After realizing his idiocy, Ben eventually gets her back. In fact, it was almost to the point you think you are watching *Guess Who*, without the interracial drama.

The ending of the movie follows so closely to the actual 2004 Boston Red Sox season, filmmakers actually reshot the ending in order to accurately follow the season.

If you enjoy romantic comedies, you will find this tale of two 30-year-old singles who fall in love during the American League pennant race satisfying. On the other hand, if you are hanging around waiting for *Kill Bill* Volume 3, or *Sin City* 2, you probably should stay away.

The movie earned the No.3 spot at the box offices, however, that doesn't prove much of a shock compared historically to other romance sports plots.



Associated Press  
This undated promotional photo shows actors Drew Barrymore as Lindsey and Jimmy Fallon as Ben in a scene from the movie "*Fever Pitch*."

"These romantic comedies tend to leg out. They play on and on," said Bruce Snyder, head of distribution for 20th Century Fox, which released "*Fever Pitch*."

Barrymore's "*Never Been Kissed*" had an \$11.4 million opening weekend and held on to do a solid \$52.4 million when its domestic run ended Snyder said.

## Sports Maniac vs. Entertainment Nut

# Top five all-time favorite baseball movies

BY JEROME BOETTCHER  
NORTHWEST MISSOURIAN

1. *Field of Dreams*- Any baseball fan will agree they will have a hard time finding a better baseball movie showing America's love for the game. Great casting, good acting and it makes Iowa look good. Probably one of Kevin Costner's best performances and like James Earl Jones' character says, "The one constant through all the years, Ray, has been baseball. America is ruled by it like an army of steamrollers. It has been erased like a blackboard, rebuilt and erased again. But baseball has marked the time. This field, this game, is a part of our past, Ray. It reminds us of all that once was good, and that could be again. Oh, people will come, Ray. People will most definitely come."

2. *The Sandlot*- Any person my age can relate to this movie. It defined our

childhood. All of us remember those summers where all we did was play baseball in the backyard. Another good performance by James Earl Jones and all guys that age remember the lifeguard they wished they could drown for.

3. *Damn Yankees*- Though technically a play, it was done as a movie. However, the idea of selling your soul to the devil just to play baseball has probably passed everybody's mind.

4. *Bad News Bears*- This movie made audiences laugh as Walter Matthau played a drunk coach for a little league ball club—not your classic movie where the good guys win.

5. *Major League*- One of the first movies to take a bad ball club and make them successful in one season. The best part in the movie is the crowd singing "Wild Thing" when Charlie Sheen's character comes out of the bullpen.

Jerome Boettcher is the sports editor of *The Missourian*. He can be contacted at s247132@mail.nwmissouri.edu

BY NICHOLAS WATSON  
NORTHWEST MISSOURIAN

1. *The Natural*—A middle-aged batter comes from no where to help a losing baseball team. He brings with him a bat cut from a lightning struck tree. One of Robert Redford's top performances. It is an instant classic that will force you to cheer for his character when he hits the scoreboard with a homerun.

2. *Field of Dreams*—After hearing voices in the cornfields, an Iowa farmer decides to build a baseball field. One of the most heart-felt baseball movies about helping others achieve unfulfilled dreams. You can't help but to watch it over and over. You can feel the dreams come to life in this remarkable movie that is an all time favorite to watch.

3. *The Sandlot*—A new kid in town finds a group of boys to play baseball with for the summer. It follows the ups and downs of every kid's summer, from

rainy days to going swimming on the days it is too hot to play ball. It is a story of true friendship and innocence.

4. *The Babe*—Follows Babe Ruth seemingly bipolar life from being abandoned by his father at an orphanage, to the discovery of his tremendous homerun hitting ability and finally to his later days. With an outstanding performance by John Goodman as Babe Ruth, it captures the life of the legend from childhood to the end.

5. *Major League*—After becoming the owner of a losing baseball franchise, an exotic dancer decides to do everything she can to move the team to a warmer climate. The team decides to do everything they can to turn around a losing season. Hysterically funny from start to finish with a simple yet thoroughly enjoyable plot of a "nothing to lose" attitude.

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### ♦The Amityville Horror

George and Kathy Lutz (Reynolds and George) move their family into what they consider to be their dream home. Soon, however, the demonic forces that resulted in a mass murder a year earlier return to influence the new residents.

### ♦State Property II

Three gangsters — the incarcerated drug kingpin Beans (Siegel), high-rolling hustler Dame (Dash), and about-to-be-paroled Loco (Noreaga) — vie for control of the streets of Philadelphia.

### ♦The Year of the Yao

Houston Rockets center Yao Ming is profiled through the voice of his friend and interpreter, Colin Pine.

### ♦House of D

By working through problems stemming from his past, Tommy (Duchovny) discovers who he really is, and he begins to reconcile with his friends and family.

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## HOT-WEATHER HEALTH HINTS

**Booty time:** Studies show exercise can help reduce the chances of getting colon cancer. Inactive lifestyles allow toxins sitting in the colon to release into surrounding body tissue, instead of passing through naturally.

**Lazy days:** Just over 60 percent of Americans don't have a regular fitness routine, and over 25 percent don't exercise at all. A regular plan is defined as 20-30 minutes of physical activity at least three times a week. Try taking three 10-minute breaks during the day for a brisk walk; not only will it improve your health, it will also pump endorphins through the body, which helps eliminate stress.

**Excuses, excuses:** There are many reasons to blow off a daily visit to the Stairmaster, but negative thoughts toward exercise are more harmful than simply skipping the gym. Making excuses not to exercise rubs off on other areas in life, and excuse-makers will soon find themselves cutting more important things out of their days than non-excuse-makers, studies by the University of Washington show.

**Brain drain:** In many states, a new way to battle life's mental games is to go "mindwalking." This "trip" takes a walk through the brain and ventures into deep-thinking to help utilize self-recognition.

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## Summer Satisfaction Strategies

### Puffers, knock the nicotine and breathe easy; bronzing beauties, beware the invisible danger

BY KRISTINE HOTOP  
NORTHWEST MISSOURIAN

Smoking links to cancer, emphysema and heart disease. It's also associated with heartburn, peptic ulcers, liver and Crohn's diseases, gallstones and digestive tract failures—not to mention bad breath, stained teeth and hands.

Well, it's time to kick the habit for good. Summer is on its way—and what better way to break into the warm weather and spend more time enjoying delicious barbecue and saving money from avoiding narcotics.

#### The Plan:

You only need an empty jar, a piece of paper and a pen. Make a wish list of things normally not purchased on an everyday expenditure, and place the paper next to the empty jar. Every time the urge to light up arrives, look at the list of desirables and place the cost of a pack of cigarettes in the jar. Think of the good things about quitting; after a while, the positives will outweigh the negatives tremendously. The additional plus? The amount of cash saved. Go out, splurge and enjoy—just don't cheat.

"Quitting is an individualized strategy. Some can quit cold turkey and some need all the help available," Campus Health Center Assistant Director Virginia Murr said. "Quitting requires very supportive relationships with friends; if it's something that is important to the individual, others should be supportive. It can be hard being the only one to quit if everyone around is lighting up."

#### What a Drag:

Quitting smoking at anytime dramatically lowers chances for cancer and early death. Kicking the habit also allows better breathing abilities, more energy and brings dull taste buds back to life. Immediately after quitting, veins and blood vessels begin repair. Blood flows more freely throughout the body, lowering chances of heart failure and heart attack.

"The idea of smoking didn't scare me when I was 20 or so," Murr said. "No one told me that I could end up with an opening in my throat, a tube down my esophagus and made into a public spectacle 20 years later. That doesn't sound like a long-term benefit to me."

Cigarette smoking can also be an expensive habit. Let's say a pack costs an average of \$2.50. Someone who smokes half a pack a day totals about \$8.75 for a week. That means a moderate smoker would spend, on average, \$456.25 annually—costing an employee earning minimum wage 88 hours of their paycheck.

Two full-time weeks' worth of work to suck down the cancer sticks. Unless you really love your job and the nicotine, it doesn't seem worth the effort.

Brown, bronze, even red. Color covers skin of students preparing for summer rays, but this shade isn't from the beach. Tans are in; quick and affordable to most, even college students. Between classes, students schedule appointments to keep skin glowing.

"We have about 200 tanning appointments made per day this time of the year," JASS receptionist Heather Reynolds said. "Summer is usually slow—only around 100 appointments per day."

With the amount of bronzing beauties visiting the salons daily, one must wonder if the long-term effects of tanning aren't considered. When asked about information concerning the risks of tanning, Reynolds explained there are glasses in each room with warnings on eye damage and pamphlets in the lobby.

"My favorite quote is 'there is no such thing as a healthy tan,'" Campus Health Center assistant director Virginia Murr said. "Tanning is the number one link to malignant melanoma, and the risk for that has increased 10 percent in the past 10 years."

Malignant melanoma is a form of skin cancer known to spread throughout the body, instead of existing in one area of the skin. Extracting the cancer is difficult—if not impossible—and harder to detect.

As attractive as sun-kissed skin looks on the outside, what hides beneath can be deadly. Ultraviolet rays emitted by indoor tanning beds link to three types of skin cancer.

Studies from the American Medical Association show most forms of skin cancer relate to "sunburns" and extreme exposure to UV radiation, even on moderate tan users. Knowledge of exact causes linking skin cancer to indoor tanning beds remain under question and experimentation. The development of radiation in skin photoaging takes years to appear, yet only minutes to apply. Therefore, immediate reaction to ultraviolet radiation remains unaffected.

Murr explains that protection under the sun should be a concern to tanners. Defensive lotions should be used, along with tanning goggles. Yet, even the goggles provided in most tanning salons aren't enough to prevent damage to the eyes. The glasses are too small and don't completely shield eyes from tanning lamps.

"Skin is there to protect, with sun exposure damaging the healing powers, long-term health problems and cosmetic effects, such as wrinkles, set in," Murr said. "Keep track of preexisting moles and any changes to the skin. Also, keep in mind any blistering burns as a child and if skin cancer runs in the family; there is a higher risk."

Before sliding into the next toasty-warm tanning bed, think of this before baking. In 2000, the National Institute of Environmental Health Services released information clearly stating, "The effects of tanning cause cancer; ultraviolet radiation is linked to malignant melanoma."

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# Willing to Live

Recent decisions concerning living wills raise public awareness of their own decisions.

BY KRISTINE HOTOP  
NORTHWEST MISSOURIAN

March 18 a feeding tube was disconnected, stopping the flow of nutrients into the body laying helplessly in a hospital bed. After a 13-year struggle for her life, Terri Schiavo was gone.

As inhumane as it sounds, this "killing" was government-sanctioned, due to statements by Schiavo's husband Michael saying, "She would not have wanted to live in her current condition." On the other side, Schiavo's parents fought for her life.

Without any documentation stating her wishes, her fate was left in the government's hands.

Her recent death incited debate over the importance of living wills and how much control the government holds over the rights of a person.

"I think it was a family situation that too many public people got involved in," freshman Amanda Goymere said. "The government had the right to step in, but most of the case decisions should have been kept in the family that had raised her."

Living wills are becoming more widely discussed and attainable.

They can be obtained through any lawyer and even online. People can put their wishes out into writing if something would place them in a no-hope situation for further recovery.

"A living will basically advises a third party, such as family members, medical staff and others involved what a person wants," attorney David Baird said. "It's a way for someone to communicate in an event that verbal communication is unable."

Without written documentation, a person's fate remains uncertain. Stated in a living will the person signing gives communication of their own fate, and also

turns over the power of their voice to someone else in case they are unable. By declaring your intentions, you prevent the right of interference and instructing the public to your intended choices.

Again, in Schiavo's case both her husband and parents watched her lay in bed for the past fifteen years, improving at an excessively slow recovery rate, if any. Both parties suffered through the emotional trauma of watching a loved one dissipate into a vegetative state; both parties fought for the future of Terri.

In the 1990 case of Cruzan vs. Director MDH, Nancy Cruzan lay incompetent while hospital officials argued with her parental guardians to pull her feeding tubes. The hospital refusal of the removal of feeding tubes struck a chord and in 1991, the federal government passed a law stating healthcare providers must obtain any legal documents pertaining to patient's rights and options in case of a health emergency. It also states a patient must be asked about their expectations or the handling of a living will.

In a case where no living will exists, all decisions were left to the parents or legal guardian. Cruzan, however, had no will leaving the final decisions of her death to her parents.

## Signing Issues:

There are two main types of wills; the living will and the last will. A last will explains where existing assets will be transferred after death, while a living will explains the type of healthcare a person should receive when too ill to direct their own case. It specifies choices concerning the desire to be kept alive and the lines the rules need to follow.

Documents are valid until revoked or death occurs. Many states require a written form to be filled out and signed for the revocation of a will; some only require vocal notice. Living wills should be shown to a doctor or healthcare professional in charge of treating your situation so they are aware on the standards being justified.

States which don't recognize all living wills have the power of attorney, providing an agent to serve as decision-maker if the patient cannot.

If there is any doubt in decisions concerning health, specifics should be documented and answered completely in a living will. A spouse holds control over the situation and more power in choices than children or parents, no matter the length of time married.

"Living wills are based on an individual's needs; they intend to protect peoples future for unthought-of age situations," Baird said. "No one knows if they will live until 20 or 60. You can't control death or decisions concerning your life."

Keep life-threatening decisions in sight, yet out of worried mind

Living wills are becoming popular, and businesses are in the loop. Most of the legal documents are found at attorney offices, but wills are also available via the internet.

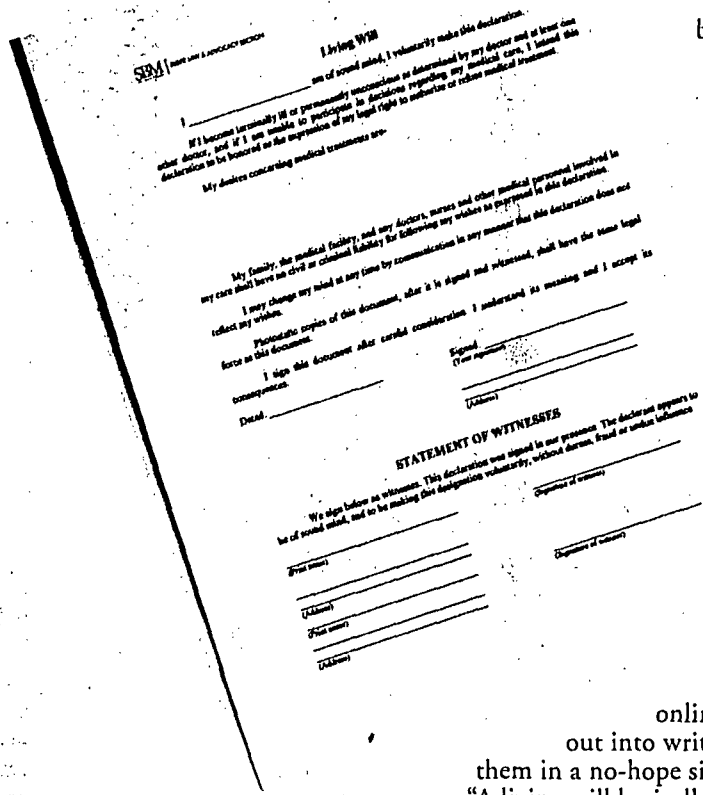
No person with the desire for a living will need worry. Various search engines can take you directly to sites selling the papers. Printed instantly, online wills cost around \$20.

Any person over the age of 18 can create a living will, with the exception of a minor no longer living under parental control. Young persons underestimate the damage and pain they could potentially undergo without a legal living will. It could also save on extensive and pricey treatments provided to extend life, if no form of expected recovery exists.

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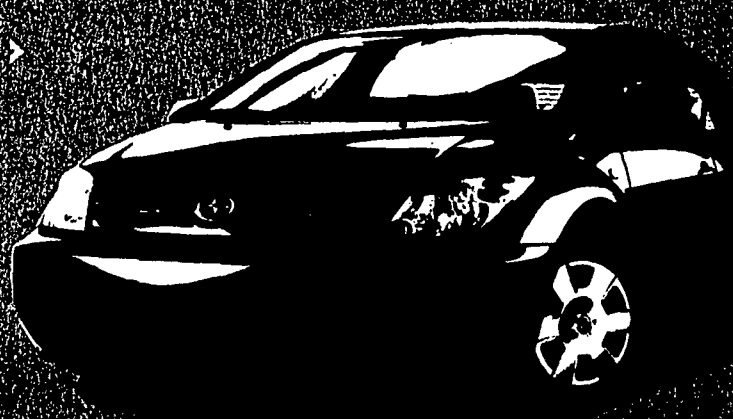
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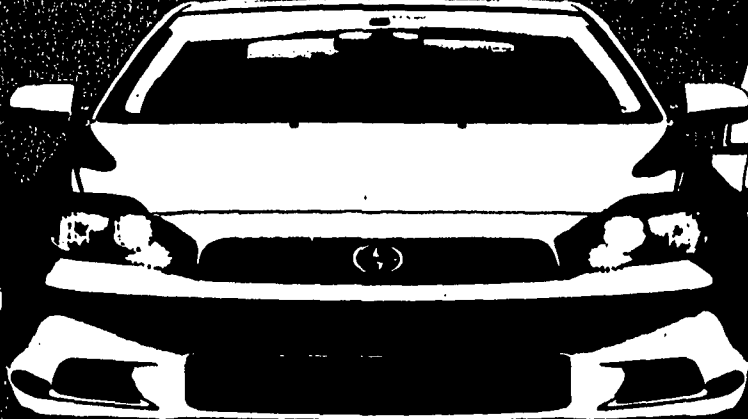
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# Bearcats split against Washburn, drop out of polls

**JEROME BOETTCHER**  
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The Northwest baseball team held off a late rally against Washburn Wednesday evening and were able to escape Topeka, Kan., with a 14-9 victory.

The Bearcats dropped their first game of the doubleheader but salvaged a victory in the nightcap. The team jumped out to a 5-0 lead in the first inning and held off a surge from the Ichabods, who led the game 6-6 after three innings. Northwest would then go on to score eight runs in the next four innings and once again hold off a Washburn rally.

The team was led by freshman Britt Westman, who had three RBI, and a sixth in-

ning home run by Kyle Gallagher to cap off a four-run sixth inning. Reliever Lane McKay recorded his second victory of the season.

In the first game, the 'Cats battled back in the seventh inning to tie the game at five but in the bottom half of the inning Mark Lewis' wild pitch scored in the winning run for Washburn to win the game, 6-5.

Lewis picked up the loss. Westman led the team offense with two hits and two RBI. The team's record now stands at 22-15 and 10-4 in the conference.

This past weekend the team hosted conference foe Missouri Southern while riding a 10-game winning streak. The streak ended Saturday as the Lions swept the 'Cats during the doubleheader.

Missouri Southern won the first game of the series 2-0 on thanks to a one-hit shutout by pitcher Jeff Taylor. Brett Bogner (4-2) suffered the loss for the 'Cats but he struck out four batters and allowed only one earned run, improving his ERA to 2.98 on the season.

In the second game, the team held a 2-0 lead through four innings before Southern responded with two runs of their own in the fifth inning. The Lions added another run in the seventh inning and an insurance run in the ninth to win 4-2. Mark Lewis took the loss, as he came in during the fifth inning and gave up five hits during 4.1 innings pitched. Zach Weston started the game and gave up two runs while striking out four.

"We faced two pretty good pitchers on Sat-

urday—but still, we have to be able to score more than two runs in a doubleheader, even with the wind blowing in," head coach Darin Loe said. "(I was) a little disappointed with our offensive Saturday...and I was concerned we were going into a mid-season slump but fortunately we came out Sunday and swung the bats real well."

After Saturday's game Loe said he challenged his players to go out the next day and get more things going offensively. The speech helped as the team scored 13 runs on 15 hits, winning 13-2.

Matt Coons took the win as he pitched six innings and allowed one run. He struck out five batters and improved his record to 2-2. Tristan Stewart led things offensively as his grand slam in the first inning broke things open for the 'Cats.

Despite avoiding a sweep, the team dropped out of the national polls Tuesday and into sixth in the regional polls. However, Loe says his team usually does better when they have the underdog mentality.

"I'd rather have it that we're chasing people instead of sitting on top worrying about falling," Loe said. "We've talked a lot this year about concentrating on the process instead of looking over your shoulder, waiting for something to happen. We're sitting just fine right now."

The team will travel to play a doubleheader Friday at 1 p.m. and then play Saturday in one nine-inning game against Pittsburg State University. They finish up their road trip against Rockhurst University in Kansas City, Mo., Tuesday with one nine-inning game at 7 p.m.

## Team forced to forfeit victory due to ruling

**JEROME BOETTCHER**  
NORTHWEST MISSOURIAN

Northwest lost one of their 22 victories Monday after it was announced they violated an NCAA rule.

One of the Bearcats' victories was nullified Monday, after the NCAA Baseball Rules Committee said scheduled "split doubleheaders" with three schools playing in a triangular format are not in line with Rule 5, Section 8 of the NCAA rule book.

Northwest's game against visiting Valley City State University, March 15, was forfeited because it was only a seven-inning game and part of a split doubleheader. The 'Cats also played against Minnesota State-Crookston that day, but that game counts because Northwest won by the 10-run rule so the game was shortened. This also violates Rule 5, Section 7 because that rule says "a doubleheader must include the same teams."

"It's bad timing," head coach Darin Loe said. "I guess we have to feel pretty good, though; it only affected us one game. It hurts a lot of people in our conference; it's going to hurt a lot of people in our region. I thought they could have either verify us before the season or we could make the changes or let it go for this year and then make the corrections for next year. They didn't do that, for whatever reason, we're going to have to face the consequences."

All 10 MIAA schools were affected and a total of 24 games lost due to the ruling. A doubleheader (according to the 2005 NCAA Rule book) must meet the following criteria:

- 1) scheduled contests between the same two teams
- 2) the second game of a doubleheader must

begin no more than 30 minutes after the first game

3) doubleheaders may be scheduled as two nine-inning games, a seven and a nine, or two seven-inning games.

The committee voted to keep the rule the same as it currently is, earlier this year. The big question remains why the committee chose now to enforce the rule.

Loe admits he knew of the rule but he didn't think it was a problem because it wasn't being enforced and it helped teams get games in, especially northern teams.

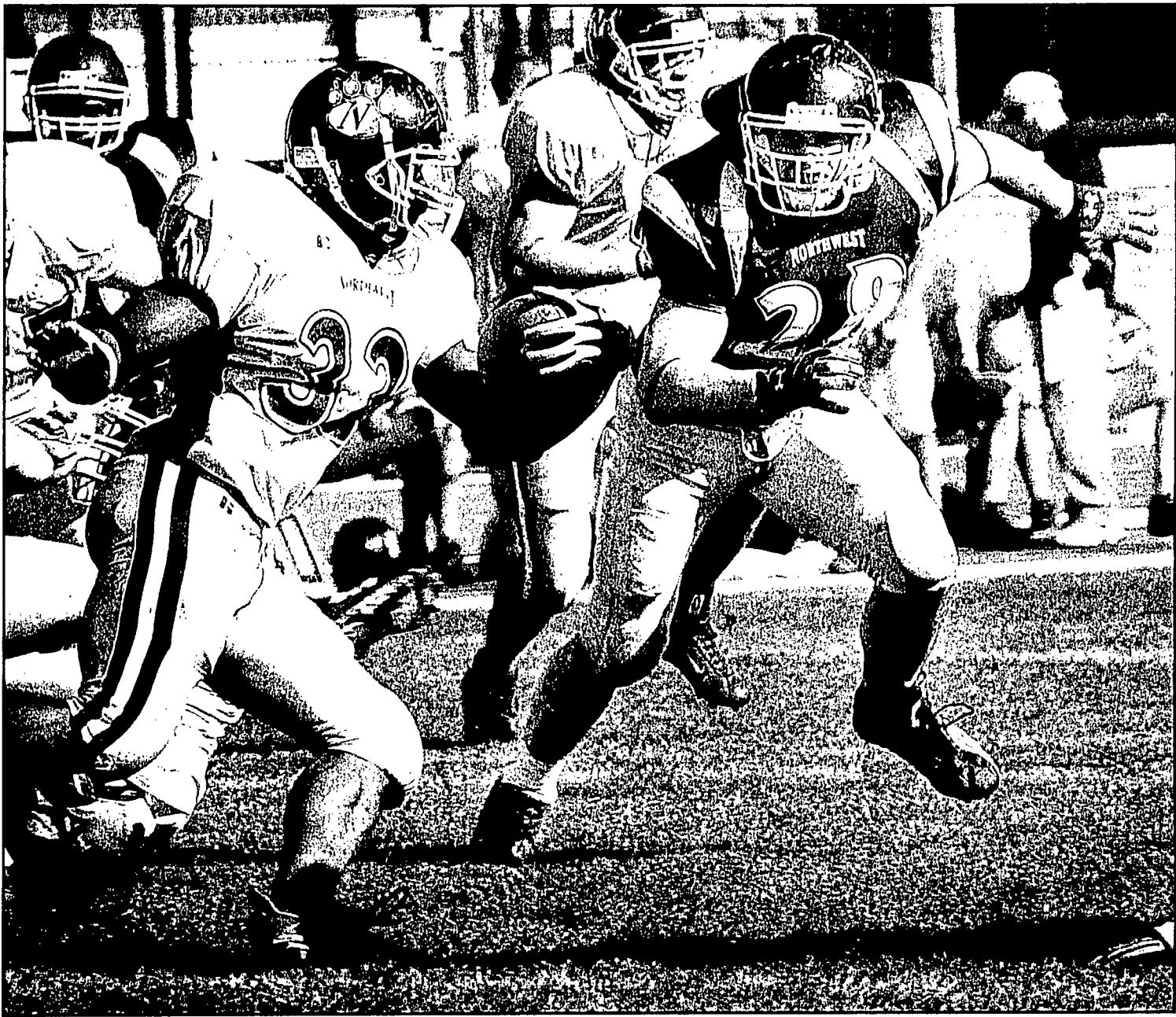
"We all kind of knew about the rule, but nobody had enforced it, until now," Loe said. "Everybody has been doing it and for whatever reason they called it on us now...If everybody in the country is doing it, for whatever reason you think they can change the rule or they're lenient on that rule or whatever. But obviously, that's not the case."

Loe is not the only one upset with the decision. MIAA commissioner Ralph McFillen was also disappointed in the committee ruling.

"Playing seven-inning games is beneficial to the quality of play at the Division II and III levels, where pitching depth isn't the same as in Division I," McFillen said Monday in a release.

"It also helps the schools in weather-disadvantaged areas where getting outside to practice, let alone play games, is hard to do. Many schools come down from the north to play our teams, and the goal is to get them as many games as possible. Playing games—either seven innings or nine, can only benefit the game—no injury is being done to the integrity of the sport."

"Quite frankly, this ruling hurts the game at our level more than it helps."



Northwest running back Xavier Omon (33) tries to run through his own defense in the inaugural Spring Game Thursday at Bearcat Stadium. The game ended in a 6-6 tie as Team Tatum and Team Bostwick combined for six turnovers during the game.

## Spring picking

Defensive units lead the way in inaugural Spring Game, force six turnovers in tie

**BY JEROME BOETTCHER**  
NORTHWEST MISSOURIAN

One of the biggest questions approaching the Northwest football team this spring was whether the defense would be able to step up after losing nine seniors from last year.

That question got answered Thursday. During the inaugural Spring Game, the defense had five interceptions and forced one fumble.

"We almost (have) to make a statement because last year we got that bad rep, so now we know we (have) to focus and the (defensive backs) have to step up and do their job as a team," said Diezeas Calbert, who picked off two passes. "We really had to work harder, we've been working hard this whole off-season."

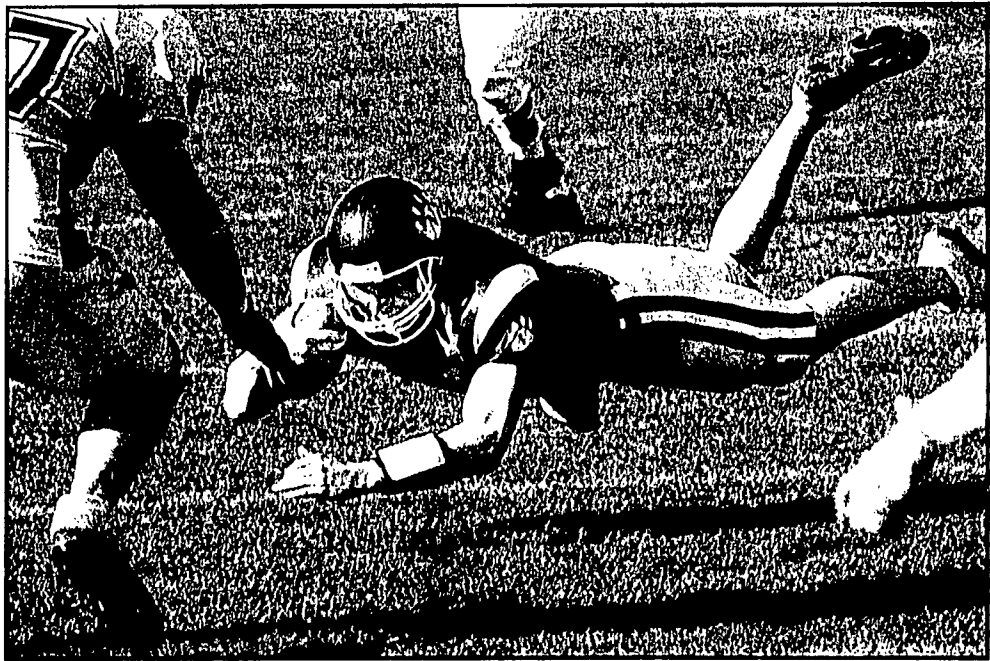
The game ended a 6-6 tie as neither offensive team was able to ever get their rhythm going. The teams, Team Bostwick and Team Tatum (named after defensive coordinator Scott Bostwick and offensive coordinator Bart Tatum), were put together from a draft done by some of the upperclassmen.

Head coach Mel Tjeerdsma thought both teams were pretty even.

"It ended up being pretty even and the only disappointing thing for the offensive guys is that they couldn't sustain a drive, and that makes it tough," Tjeerdsma said. "But other than that I think it was good; if it stays like this I think we will continue doing it."

Team Tatum struck first, on a 83-yard touchdown scoring strike. Redshirt freshman Joel Osborn connected to sophomore E.J. Falkner for the score as the first quarter ended.

Team Bostwick answered right back as



Redshirt freshman Kyle Johnson dives for a first down Thursday during the Bearcats' Spring Game. Johnson led all quarterbacks in passing as the game ended in a 6-6 tie.

redshirt freshmen Kyle Johnson and Raphael Robinson hooked up for a 46-yard touchdown.

However, that was all the scoring the teams would see as the defense controlled the tempo throughout the game. Brandon Clayton of Team Tatum intercepted two passes, including a fourth down pass on the goal line late in the game. Jared Erspamer of Team Bostwick also picked off a pass.

"We just locked down; we've been working harder to pump up the defense and step it up a little bit for next year," Calbert said.

However, the offensive players still thought they managed to get something going as Johnson led all quarterbacks with 161 yards passing and one touchdown. Senior Andre Rector led the way on the receiving end, catching six passes for 95 yards.

"We kind of wanted to make sure we get the tempo fast and get stuff moving, that's all we really wanted to do," Johnson said.

Tjeerdsma said top concern was all the

turnovers, also mentioning he wasn't sure about his offensive line and his linebackers when he came into the game. However, he thought both of those areas are progressing but says it will be different when the Bearcats go play in an actual game.

All in all the team enjoyed a successful spring, according to Tjeerdsma, and says all of his players, young and old, improved.

"The young guys aren't just going to step up and be dominant in the spring; you see flashes, you see glimpses and we saw some of that today," Tjeerdsma said. "That's the exciting thing; I thought that our old guys, really our veteran players, did a good job of being focused this spring and giving us a good effort every day."

"Even though there's a lot of those older guys who are so solid at their position, they're not battling for their position but they're out there, trying to get better, and trying to make us a better football team and I think we've accomplished that."



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Maryville's John Hart rises above the bar during the high jump competition. Hart and the boys team finished second overall Tuesday in the Maryville Invitational.

## Hounds finish second at wet and cold Invite

**BY SETH WOODERSON**  
NORTHWEST MISSOURIAN

The Maryville track teams braved the cold and dreary weather to hold their own Maryville Invitational Track Meet Tuesday.

The teams did well in the meet, placing many of their athletes in medal contention.

Despite his team finishing second overall, boys' coach Paul Miller expressed much concern in his team's effort.

"Result-wise, we have not done as well as we have done in the past; we did not have a good day," Miller said. "We had some performances that were pretty good but we had several things that didn't turn out like we expected them to."

Maryville was second to Platte County, only losing by three and a half points. The girls also finished up in second place. Athletes from the girls' and boys' teams both enjoyed standout performances in their respective events.

On the boys' side senior Sydney Brisbane had an impressive day, finishing in the top three in all four of his events.

Brisbane won the triple jump with a leap of 40'6" but fell short in the long jump, placing second. Brisbane would fall short of gold two more times throughout the day; despite sporting the best entry times, finishing the 200 and 400 meter races in third and second, respectively.

In the 400-meter race Brisbane was edged

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# Rain delays team, Truman up next

BY BRENDAN KELLEY  
NORTHWEST MISSOURIAN

Sitting at 22-15, this year's Bearcat softball team already surpassed their win total from last season.

The 'Cats, coming off a weekend in which they swept Southwest Baptist in two games (4-2, 3-1) and then dropped two games to Missouri-Rolla (3-1, 2-0), found themselves ready to get back on the field and back to their winning ways. Rain put a damper on those plans though.

"It was a roller coaster weekend," coach Susan Anderson said. "We got the sweep on Friday, but then we only got one hit in the first game (against Rolla) on Saturday."

Northwest rebounded from the one-hit first game and put together more offense in the second game against Rolla, but the 'Cats failed to turn base runners into points on the board, stranding nine on the base paths.

"I was concerned after the first game," Anderson said. "But we bounced back

in the second game, we just couldn't get all our hits together to bring in the runs."

The 'Cats were scheduled to play Monday against the University of Nebraska-Omaha and then play MIAA opponent Washburn Tuesday, but both games were cancelled due to Mother Nature.

"With us having so many games this week, the rainouts kind of give us a little break," coach Susan Anderson said. "It will give us a fresh start."

Even with the cancelled games the 'Cats still have a shot to grab some victories this week, starting with a matchup against Lincoln, Thursday. They will also get a shot to finish a game started earlier in the season with Truman State.

The game, played March 28, was postponed due to darkness and will be played Friday at 5 p.m. The game will start the way it was when postponed, with the score 2-2 in the top of the ninth inning.

"Who knows how long this game will last," Anderson said. "It could be over in an inning or it could take a bunch more."

## It's that time again



PHOTO BY ADAM WATSON/ NORTHWEST MISSOURIAN  
Karryn Scott, left, and Lisa Abbott, right, of the Slantettes try to break up a pass during their Intramural 4x4 Flag Football game Tuesday. The championships wrap up for all four leagues today.

# Spring ball gave us a taste of football again

Cheering fans. JumboTron. The echo of whistles bellowing from Bearcat Stadium.

Things reserved for the fall, right? Wrong.

Last Thursday, the Northwest football team held its first spring game in the Mel Tjeerdsma era.

All the glitz and glamour of a normal game filled the contest, minus cheerleaders and the marching band.

The way Thursday turned out, this should be an every year occurrence. Problem is, it was on a Thursday.

Just that fact alone pared down the crowd by at least half. Figure in the fact that by a rough estimate there were nearly 500 people there, this game holds potential for greatness. The contest could succeed for several reasons.

1. Northwest and Maryville are football crazy.

Take, for example, the average conversation at a baseball game.

Fan #1: "Hey, how about those Bearcats?"

Fan #2: "Yeah, just won 10 straight."

Fan #1: "I'm not talking about them. It's spring football season and Josh Mathews is sitting right over there."

The typical Maryville resident couldn't tell you three pitchers in the Northwest starting rotation.

2. Potential for fans to stop the speculating.

Everyone wants to know the answers to the questions surrounding the team. How's Lamberson? Can the secondary defend my grandma? Is Bostwick still wearing a red hat during the games?

The spring game gives fans a chance to have their questions answered.

Here's the kicker, however, for this to be successful, the game should be moved to Saturday. As passionate as alumni are about the football team, it wouldn't be absurd to see people drive from Omaha and Kansas City just to see what the fuss is all about.

It is up to Tjeerdsma and people in the marketing department but after the success the game brought last week, I can't see how they wouldn't want to see it grow.

The players would obviously love it. So much time and effort is put into the offseason practices, playing in front of a thousand or so fans would be beautiful.

Congratulations to the staff for developing the game; now it is time to take it to the next level.



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## Sports In Brief

### Team hosts annual awards

The Northwest basketball team held its annual postseason awards ceremony last week.

Five awards were handed out. Junior Austin Meyer was named Most Valuable Player of the team. Senior Byron Jackson received the Hardest Worker Award. Senior Travis Gardener received the Sixth Man Award and redshirt freshman Andy Peterson received the Most Improved Award.

Finally, senior Brandon Rolds was given the Chris Borchers Award. The Chris Borchers Award was named after the four-year player known for his hard work, positive attitude, character on and off the court and his loyalty to the Bearcat program.

The Bearcats' season ended with a 19-11 record and they lose six seniors to graduation.

# Prange, teams lead the way at Invitationals

BY ANDY TIMKO  
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After spending a week at home, the Bearcat track teams traveled to Seward, Neb., over the weekend to compete in the Bulldog Invitational.

Although the meet was unscored, the 'Cats competed well in both the men's and women's divisions producing four NCAA provisional qualifiers, a national qualifier and an MIAA Outdoor Field Athlete of the Week.

Women's head coach Scott Lorek said the team's performance was something unexpected after working the team hard over the week. Looking back on the meet, Lorek felt the team could compete even better if they brought everyone.

"It was a meet we wanted to be a little more low-key about," Lorek said. "We would have had more people doing more things, but we ended up leaving some people at home."

Alisha Samuel ran well once again, gaining an NCAA automatic qualifying bid after posting a time of 12.04 in the final round of the 100-meter dash.

"Honestly, she's a little faster than I expected," Lorek said.

Kailea Cook also performed well, finishing third in the 100-meter dash and fourth in the 400-meter dash.

According to Lorek, the changes made for the weekend proved good ones, with four individuals running their lifetime best times and senior Steph Suntken competing well coming back from an injury.

E.J. Falkner, Kendall Wright and Clint Prange led the way for the 'Cats in the men's division both taking honors in their respective events.

Prange earned his second straight MIAA Outdoor Athlete of the Week award over the weekend and his third overall this season.

"(Clint) is a really high caliber athlete," head coach Richard Alsop said. "It takes a high-caliber athlete to be performing and improving on a regular basis to for that to happen and he's deserving. He's just a really diligent worker and doesn't stray much from routine."

With four events scheduled before the MIAA Championships, Prange automatically qualified for the NCAA Division II Outdoor Championships both the shot and discus. As of April 11, Prange holds the top spot in discus and the third spot in the shot put on the NCAA Performance list.

"One of my goals this year was to automatically qualify for discus and shot put and I've already done that so everything else is just icing on the cake," Prange said.

Heading into the Division II Classic the women's team is healthy, but the men are a little banged up. Prange missed out this weekend with a groin injury, and two jumpers are out indefinitely nursing hamstring injuries.

The Division II Classic begins today and runs through Saturday in Emporia, Kan.

## Football team to perform 10th Annual Spring Workathon

The Northwest Missouri State football team, along with the coaching staff, will take part in the 10th Annual Spring Workathon on Saturday. Members will perform community service projects from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. around the Maryville area. Most of the work includes raking leaves, yard work and picking up trash along roadways.

There will be nine different groups headed by coaches going out into the

community. Different spots to be worked on include Faustiana Place, Main Street and the Highway 71 Bypass.

Players are requesting donors sponsor them in this project. All monies raised go toward the purchase of football apparel.

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# Hounds try to pump past injuries

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The Maryville girls' soccer team once again being challenged as injuries plague the team.

The Spoofhounds traveled to Ex-or Springs this past weekend and lost 1-0 to Belton on Thursday. Maryville then played Lafayette Friday losing 3-1. Sophomore Emily on scored the only Spoofhound in the second half, but it wasn't enough for Maryville to gain a win.

Monday wrapped up the tournament with the 'Hounds losing to Maryville 1-0. Surprisingly though, coach Bayo Oludaja wasn't disappointed with how the girls played.

"Again like last week, we don't see some of our starters due to injuries," Oludaja said. "Considering the circumstances, I was satisfied with their performances. Obviously not glad we lost, but we still played really well."

The 'Hounds were not only challenged against their competition this past weekend, but also by illnesses and numerous injuries, including a concussion to starter Liz Logsdon in the Lafayette game and the ACTs on Saturday.

"Hopefully things are beginning to look up a little bit," Oludaja said.

Junior Liz Logsdon feels that although the team has been tossed its share of injuries, one good thing to come out of this is the ability of the underclassmen.

"A lot of the underclassmen have really stepped up and helped us

out," Logsdon said.

Tuesday the 'Hounds game against Benton was postponed due to the weather. Today Maryville will face Smithville in their first home game of the season, at 4:30 p.m. Coach Oludaja hopes home advantage will help break the 'Hounds losing streak. Logsdon feels the team is ready to show the community what they've got.

"We're ready to show people that we have a strong team this year and that we're ready to go far," said Logsdon.

Coach Oludaja wants to continue to improve on passing, moving and finishing, since conference will be coming up not before long.

"We have our eyes on winning conference, but we take each game at a time," Oludaja said.

After hosting Smithville today, the 'Hounds will travel to the North Kansas City tournament on Friday where they will face off against Kearney again. Coach Oludaja is hoping a full squad will make a difference this time.

"It has been rough, but I'm hoping we're going to break the streak," Oludaja said.

Maryville now stands with a record of 2-4. Even though the 'Hounds are off to a shaky start with unpredictable roads ahead, one thing is for sure, the girls' positive attitudes continue to keep the energy of the team alive.

"We have no control over these things, and I really appreciate how positive the girls have remained," Oludaja said.

## A Royal Greeting



Country music group The Oak Ridge Boys wave as a B-2 bomber flies over Kauffman Stadium on opening day in Kansas City. 41,788 fans saw the Royals fall to the Seattle Mariners 8-2 on the largest opening day ever in K.C.

## Injuries already hurting Royals lineup

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KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) - The Kansas City Royals placed third baseman Mark Teahen on the 15-day disabled list Wednesday and purchased the contract of infielder Joe McEwing from Triple-A Omaha of the Pacific Coast League.

Teahen, the key piece of the trade that sent Carlos Beltran to Houston last year, left Monday's home opener with a lower back strain.

McEwing, 32, was signed to a minor league contract on March 22. He has a .253 career average in 664 major league

games with St. Louis and the New York Mets, who released him during the spring.

Teahen was brought in to fill the hole left by fan favorite Joe Randa. Randa is hitting .417 with eight RBI's and three homers in just seven games with the Reds.

## TRACK: Hayden finds way to win in cold

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out by Smithville's John Hardin.

"I heard him behind me (but) I didn't think he was that close...he's a pretty good runner," Brisbane said.

Brisbane expressed his concern with the cold weather and taking extra precautions.

"I tried to warm up more, but I was right most of the time," Brisbane said. "I figured that was what was bothering me."

On the girls' side, Kristin Degase also placed in the top three of all her events.

Degase finished second in the 800-meter run, with a time of 2:31. Three seconds slower than her school record-breaking time last week.

Degase also blamed the cold weather for her slower time and finish.

Senior Megan Hayden also had an impressive day winning the 200 and 400 meter races as well as a first place finish as part of the 4x400 meter relay team.

Friday, the 'Hounds will travel to Chillicothe, to compete. Field events will start at four; all running events will follow.

"I HEARD HIM BEHIND ME (BUT) I DIDN'T THINK HE WAS THAT CLOSE."

-Syd Brisbane  
on losing the 400-meter race

# Where's the love? Lack of support leaves editor wondering

Monday afternoon, I sat among 41,788 screaming Royals fans as part of the largest-ever opening day crowd at Kauffman Stadium. Everyone seemed so pumped up and excited for the start of a new season. Ultimately, the Royals lost 8-2 and everyone left feeling as has become the tradition in Kansas City. The opening day crowd was asking one question: Why?

April 2, I attended the Kansas City Wizards' season opener against the Colorado Rapids. The Wizards did what they have been doing for the past couple of years; they won 3-2, in front of an announced attendance of 10,000. Which brings me to my question: Why do 43,000 people show up to watch a baseball team who lost over

a hundred games last year and not show up to watch a soccer team who played for the MLS Cup last season?

I love the Royals and believe they deserve the support they received on opening day, but what about the team that finds success year after year, fought injuries all last season and still found a way to make it to the championship game? Are they not worthy of support?

The Kansas City Wizards have been the best sports team in Kansas City for the last couple of years and yet people act as though they don't even exist. If the Royals made

the playoffs, Kauffman stadium would be filled to the brim. The

Chiefs sell out even when they don't make the playoffs. Then you have the Wizards, who fought through MLS play all last season to advance to the playoffs and in their semifinal game in Kansas City last season, the Wizards drew a whopping 13,000. The Wizards won that game and advanced to the MLS cup, where they nearly missed winning a national championship.

All my friends give me a hard time because I say I would rather go to a Wizards game than a Chiefs game;

they tell me soccer is not a real sport and it doesn't take much to play the game. These are the people who don't understand the game. These are the people who have never been to a Wizards game, or watched the World Cup. Soccer players play 45 minute halves, running for 90 minutes and are more coordinated than most baseball players.

It has been said that soccer is a game loved throughout the world, everywhere but the United States. In Europe they have riots over soccer games. In other countries soccer fields dot the countryside in every little town you come to. Around the world people tune their television sets to see who the Cup will belong to; kids grow

up dreaming of one day stepping onto the playing field wearing their countries' jersey with the chance to become world champions. Some people act like they don't even know the U.S. has a national team. Even more surprising to some people is that three Kansas City Wizards are on the national team and all three see significant playing time.

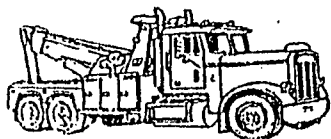
I haven't always been a soccer fan. I played soccer when I was younger, but I was never very good at it. What I saw when I attended a Wizards game changed my entire attitude. The Kansas City Wizards are one of the hardest-playing teams in the MLS. In my opinion, the Wizards are one of the hardest-playing teams in any sport.

Don't believe me? Then go to a Wizards game. After you go and watch an entire game, you can tell me how wrong I am. One of the first things my parents taught me was to not criticize someone or something without knowing what you are talking about.

I'm not asking you to rush out and buy season tickets to the Wizards, like I did. All I'm asking is that you give the game a chance. I know it's not baseball. It never will be, but I am convinced once you see the heart and soul these guys put into the game they love, you will be hooked. Maybe then you will see why the rest of the world has been making such a fuss about this game we call soccer.

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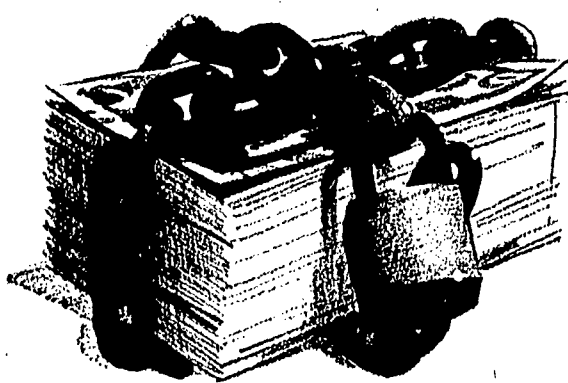
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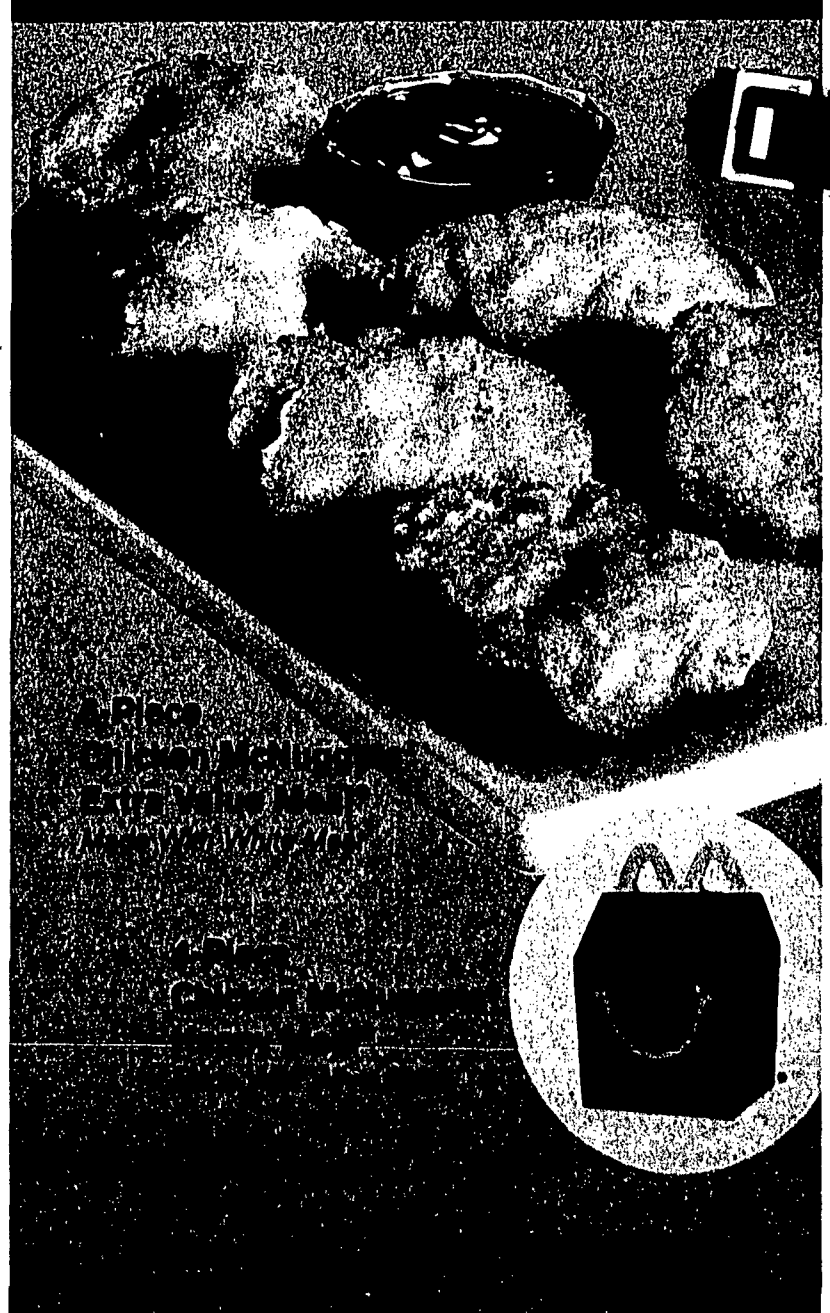
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## Stroller proposes solution to rising gas prices

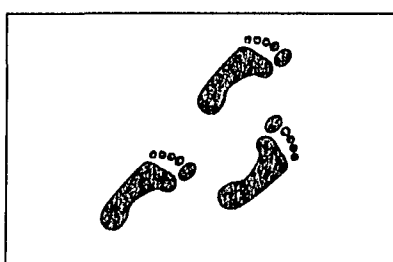
Like most people, I have my best ideas when I'm at my most peaceful and serene. When I can just forget about the hassles and hardships of life and just be one with my surrounding environment. When I am on the toilet.

See, a while ago, I realized if my best ideas came to me while sitting on the toilet, maybe my best work would come while sitting on the toilet as well. The "Porcelain Think Tank" as I like to call it.

So I was sitting in the men's room on the second floor of the Union the other day talking to a friend on MSN and typing a paper for a class entitled "methods of buck passing"—a business class putting emphasis on the importance of brown-nosing and synergy.

Well, my friend on MSN said gas had reached \$2.20 a gallon in Maryville. When he told me this, I pooped. Which made me more relaxed. Which made me think. Which gave me an epiphany. Which gave me a lightbulb, the little man screws in the light bulb, pop goes the weasel, Bob's your uncle and I think I think I figured out a way to lower gas prices.

The homeless. Homeless people pulling cars. Think of it like a dogsled, but powered by the homeless. The



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homeless are fast, strong and will work for food. Food! Not cash or gold, but food! Food's like the easiest thing you can get if you own a car, and the homeless will take it instead of money. How sweet is that?!

Now I know some of you out there think this is strange and cruel, and that's what I thought at first too. But then I looked around and realized "Hey, we treat our cars a lot better than we treat our homeless." I mean, Jay Leno doesn't have a warehouse full of vintage homeless people, does he?

And the great thing about homeless people is that we have so many of them. I mean, look at St. Joseph. Even if the people there aren't actually homeless, they at least look like they are.

This is good for three reasons:  
1) Stimulates the economy. How? By creating jobs we can't outsource. Who's going to worry

about their job being shipped overseas when it doesn't pay!

2) It ends our crippling dependency on foreign oil. How? Must I slap you?!

3) The obesity epidemic. How? Have you ever seen an Asian rickshaw driver? They're healthy as horses! What better exercise is there than pulling a couple of yuppies around in a 400-pound wagon!

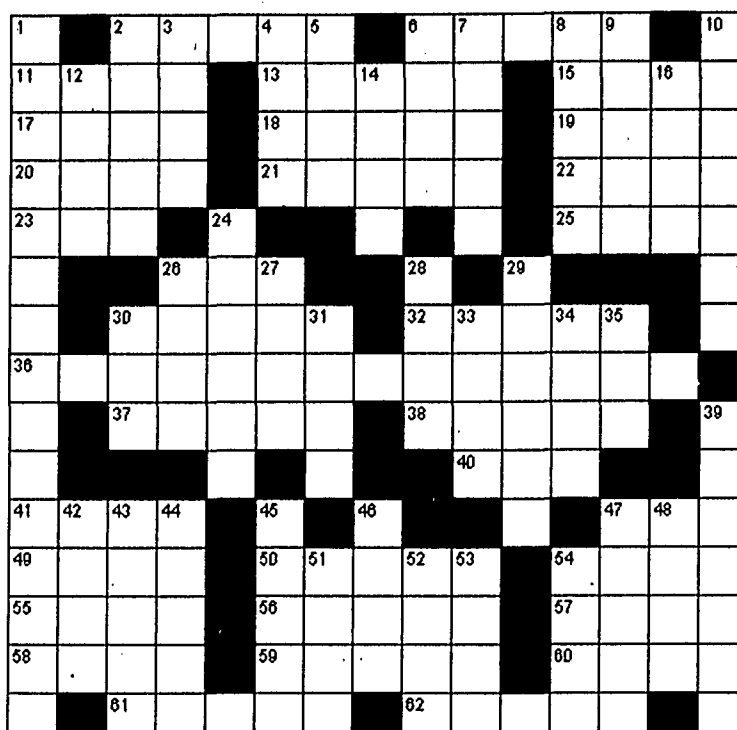
And the beautiful thing about this plan is you can never run out of homeless people. If we ever start to get low on the homeless, we can just ask a few CEOs to start skimming off the top of the retirement funds again. Maybe we can call in Kenneth Lay to help cook the books a little. Then, when the company comes crashing down, we can give those poor folks something to do. But what could they do? Oh wait, how about pulling my car to Wal-Mart or Sonic?

And remember, not only is this a good idea for our country, but it's a good idea for the environment as well. We'll have cleaner air, less noise pollution and no homeless people crowding up the streets!

Dude, I should totally be like president or king or something.

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## WEEKLY CROSSWORD



- Across  
2. Tertiary  
6. Blowing in bursts  
11. Repetition of sound  
13. Wallace and William  
15. Hokkaido's former name  
17. Word borrowed from another language  
18. Prophets  
19. Apostle of the Gentiles  
20. An informer  
21. South African dance music  
22. Parisian airport  
23. Cuttlefish fluid  
25. Fitting closely  
26. Unit of heat  
30. Small and delicate  
32. High rockface  
36. Pertaining to a chemical compound containing a metal and carbon  
37. Express opinions  
38. One of a series of steps  
40. Humble dwelling  
41. Peaks  
47. Cacophony  
49. Guiltless plea  
50. Jumps rope  
54. Method  
55. Stepped  
56. Eyelashes  
57. Monkeys  
58. Give temporarily  
59. Of time long past  
60. Untidy condition  
61. Former Japanese capital  
62. Rot
- Down  
1. Haughtily (4-11)  
2. Show appreciation  
3. Cry of a goose  
4. Danger  
5. Pulled  
6. Little lady  
7. Retract  
8. Literals  
9. Long  
10. Closed plane figure

12. Money  
14. Exude water  
16. Bantu language  
24. Mythological Scandinavian dragon  
26. Applaud  
27. Man of great strength  
28. Bible book  
29. Rice dishes  
30. Inflated feeling of pride  
31. State  
33. Slat  
34. Flutter  
35. Evergreen tree  
39. Skill  
42. Anecdotal knowledge  
43. Cheap wine  
44. House of turf strips  
45. Broad necktie  
46. Meek  
47. Inane  
48. Middle day of the month  
51. Thousand  
52. Having different colored sections  
53. Mentally healthy  
54. Mother

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See answers page A5

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## New Auto Rules Carry Heavy Fine

All students must fill out an automobile registration card at registration indicating whether or not they will have a car on campus this year, according to Dean of Students C. E. Koerble.

Students who have indicated that they will not have a car and who are found driving or having such a car on campus will be liable for a \$25 fine and subject to possible dismissal from school for falsifying records.

Parking permits for all cars operated by college administrators, faculty, or students on campus or in Maryville must be obtained. A \$5 fine will be levied against the operators of unregistered cars.

Permits for parking a car on campus cost \$2 and are issued for a designated lot. Unspecified permits for cars operated in Maryville but not parked on campus are free but must also be displayed in the driver's side of the rear window. The \$1 fine for parking violations must be paid at the Business Office within 24 hours after it is issued unless the violator files an appeal with the Dean of Students. Appeals will be heard by the Traffic Court each week.

Any changes in license or automobile must be reported to the Business Office immediately. Motorcycles, motorbikes, motor scooters, and any other motor propelled conveyances must be registered and abide by the regulations.

"As campus citizens, the drivers of vehicles have a real obligation," said Dean Koerble. They must consider the safety of pedestrians crossing the streets and small children playing in residential areas as well as their own."

## Tutoring Service Help Available

Scholastic assistance, in the form of tutoring, will again be provided by the tutoring service this year.

Students desiring help in course work may contact the Dean of Instruction or the Dean of Students and obtain the name of a student approved as a tutor in a specified department. The tutor will help with study procedures and other learning activities but will not write term papers or actually do the assigned work of the students.

Any student who would like to be placed on the list of approved tutors should secure approval from the chairman of the department in which the course is offered. They should then contact Dr. Leon Miller, Dean of Instruction, to be placed on the list.

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## A Message from the President

I would like to welcome you to Northwest Missouri State College, especially those of you in the entering freshman class. You young men and young women are beginning a school year which will hold a wealth of opportunity for you.

As president of this college I have seen many students come and go. Some marked their stay here with significant accomplishment and learning. Others passed through the classrooms unchanged, graduating with only superficial knowledge. Some succeeded in obtaining a real education while others failed because of discipline.

For it is the way in which you discipline your mind and your activities which will determine whether or not you succeed here. The administration and faculty will provide the information and materials necessary for learning, but they can do no more than to make these available to you. You must, as an individual, apply yourself to learning, to the search for truth.

The motto of this college is, "And the truth shall make you free." Remember it as you embark upon this year's scholastic activity.

J. W. Jones

## Cafeteria Lines To Be Assigned

Students eating in the Union cafeteria will soon be assigned to specific food lines according to Luther Belcher, business manager.

The new policy will go into effect as soon as the identification cards are prepared—within a week. Each student will be assigned to one line for the noon and evening meals and to another for weekend and breakfast meals when some lines are closed.

The change was necessitated by the increased enrollment and the increase in on-campus housing, the latter up from 1,200 to 1,900 since last year. According to Mr. Belcher, the new system will be much more efficient from the serving point of view and will provide the students with better and hotter meals.

In addition, the kitchen has been reorganized. New equipment has been added to keep salads crisper and fresher and to facilitate faster serving of students.

## All Automobiles Must Be Officially Registered

Any student who has not completed an automobile registration card is asked to do so at once by Luther Belcher, Business Manager.

Belcher reminds all students that an attempt of falsification of this form will result in a \$25 fine. All persons having or driving automobiles on campus are required to register them with the business office if not previously done during

## Quarterback Club Pushes Funds Drive

Contributions to the Quarterback Club scholarship fund have climbed to \$3,025 as of this morning, according to Paul Fields, chairman of the fund drive.

Fields also stated that the drive will wind up Saturday ahead of the Northwest State College Bearcats' second home game with the Ft. Hays Tigers.

The goal for this year's program is \$3,500. Last year's contributions totaled \$3,110. In the four years the Quarterback Club has conducted the scholarship fund drives, approximately 130 athletics have been assisted.

## Social Security Numbers Required for I.D. Cards

Luther Belcher, Business Manager, has announced that all students are required to present their social security number before being given an I. D. card.

Belcher suggests that any person not having a social security number write the St. Joseph, Mo., office immediately.

## Charges to Be Assessed For Program Changes

Programs may be changed (drop and add courses) through Friday, Sept. 27. Classes may be dropped but not added to a student's program through Friday, Oct. 11.

A charge of \$5.00 for dropping and adding a course will be assessed. For dropping a course only a charge of \$1.00 will be made.

## Enrollment Near 3000 Setting New Record

Two thousand seven hundred and thirty six students, ranging from freshmen to post-graduates, enrolled at NWMSC last week, topping all previous records.

During the upperclass registration on Thursday, Sept. 12, 1,736 sophomores, juniors, and seniors signed their alpha-sequence numbers to a wide variety of forms, setting a new record for one-day enrollment. The freshmen followed at a less hectic but nevertheless record-breaking pace of 800 on Friday and nearly 200 on Saturday.

New this year were the ID cards, each carrying the student's age, student number, and picture. The cards, like the Emperor's new clothes, were invisible, but were promised to appear in a week.

For the class of '67, a week orientation began with a morning assembly Sept. 10, in which President J. W. Jones, Dean C. E. Koerble, and Student Body President Jim Sanders welcomed the newcomers to the campus. Orientation Co-ordinator Bob Johnson began the get-acquainted-with-the college meetings by explaining that this year the entire orientation program is being conducted by upperclass students. "We hope that we, as students, may better acquaint you with the college and with your life here as a student."

Campus tours in the rain, a parking lot dance in the Blue Room, assemblies, the Organizational Fair, more assemblies, a movie, registra-

tion, a heaven and hell dance, and more registration followed in quick succession. The whirlwind week was capped by a football victory over Peru State which broke a two-year losing streak.

As classes began Monday, the usual number of people became lost in the Colden Hall labyrinth, many were soaked quite thoroughly in the heavy "Missouri sunshine," and the Den received its normal load of students taking before-after, and during-class coffee breaks. Some complained about 8 o'clock classes, some groaned when the teacher named Staff turned out to be the one they were avoiding, and some griped about having to walk from Lot No. 2 to Colden Hall.

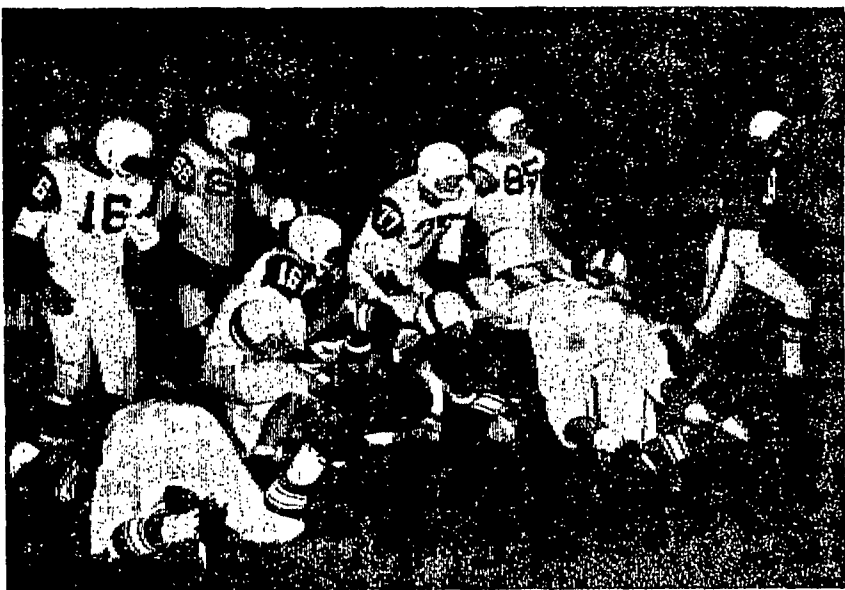
But, in general, the 1963-64 school year was off to a booming start at Northwest Missouri State.

## ATTENTION FRESHMEN

Freshmen Orientation (Ed. 1) will meet Thursday night, Sept. 19, at 7 p.m. in the College Auditorium. All freshmen, except veterans, must attend these meetings. Guest speaker at the meeting will be Miss Gimmie Atchley, Dean of Women.

## MSC Tops Peru in Opener

See Sports Page for Story



**FIRST TD OF 1963** — Sophomore fullback Mike Peterson, tightly gripping the ball, is shown as he bucks across from the one yard stripe early in the second quarter to give the Northwest State Bearcats their first TD of the 1963 grid campaign and a 6-0 lead over visiting Peru, Neb., College. Peterson scored 15 of the Bearcat's points with a pair of TD's and 3-of-3 PAT kicks as the 'Cats romped past highly touted Peru 24-6. Jubilantly running from the field at the right side of the photo is star halfback Lonnie Irvin. Peru players identifiable are Curtis Holliman, 16; Harold Choate, 19; Sam Carneal, 11; Bruce McCoy, 77; Jim Manning, 85; and star defender Jim Brenn, 68, a 6-5, 270-pound giant. —Photos by Frederick's.

## Presidents

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## SCHOOL COLORS CHANGE

The school colors were changed from red and white to green and white. The original colors were decided in 1906, when the school first opened, but changed because Maryville High School's colors were also red and white. In order for the University to develop its own identity, the students asked for new colors.

## NORTHWEST GETS MASCOT

Before 1916, Northwest did not have a mascot. At a basketball game between Northwest and Drury College Jan. 20, the Drury coach approached Walter Hanson, Northwest coach, and said, "Hello, Walter. Have you got your bearcats all keyed up for the game tonight?" Hanson relayed the story to school officials and by 1917, pep squads were shouting, "Eat 'em up, Bearcats!"

## PRESIDENT SUBMITS RESIGNATION

President Ira Richardson, the fourth president of the University, submitted his resignation. President El Walter Lamkin was elected in June. He began his presidency in September 1921.

## NEWMAN CLUB FOUNDED

The Newman Club was organized by two members of the education department, Katherine and Margaret Franken. They sponsored it until their retirement in 1952. The Franken sisters bought a house on Third Street to serve as a meeting place, and for many years the house was the center of activities for the club. Charles Gardner, head of the music department, thought the college needed a song that would express the loyalty of the students. He wanted a song that could be used year after year until it became a tradition. Wednesday, Oct. 4, Gardner, with the assistance of his music students, introduced the school's Alma Mater.

## NEW RESIDENCE HALL OPENS

The Residence Hall, now Roberta Hall, was informally opened. It was equipped to house approximately 192 students and was popular with the women students who lived there until 1942. The hall was then used for the Navy V-12 program that sent Navy students to college. The women returned to the hall in 1945, until 1951, when a gas tank explosion wrecked the building.

## "HANGING OF THE GREENS" BEGINS

The "Hanging of the Greens" ceremony was started by Margaret Stephenson. This served as an exclusive, honorary event at the start of the Christmas holiday. The ceremony involved a performance by the Residence Hall women, in which a processional, carol singing and dancing took place. During the "Hanging of the Greens," the Christmas spirit was promoted. Participants gave explanations of Christmas traditions such as the mistletoe and the Yule log.

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## 'Cats win Championship game

Tower Yearbook Staff

For the Northwest football team and its fans, Dec. 11, 1999 was a day that will live in infamy. After pulling off fourth-quarter comebacks in each of their playoff games leading to the title game, the Bearcats gave a national television audience a sample of the adversity they had to overcome during a season loaded with ups and downs.

"As I told our players in the locker room, we've been doing this all three playoff games," head coach Mel Tjeerdsma said. "We've been behind in the fourth quarter. We've never really got so far behind with such a short amount of time left, but it's just really a credit to them and to the fact that they never gave up. They never doubted. They believed the whole time, and like I told them, probably the best thing was they got to show the whole country just what that really was and what the character and commitment those guys had."

After Northwest recovered a Carson-Newman fumble in the first overtime, senior kicker Dave Purnell came on the kick a 36-yard field goal, but his attempt sailed to the left.

"That's just part of the game," Tjeerdsma said. "He didn't miss by much. It just wasn't a clean kick. I don't know what happened. For some reason, before he kicked it, I didn't feel real comfortable. I didn't feel like, 'Hey, we've got this game won.'"

In the second overtime, Purnell came on again to try a 45-yard kick, but his attempt was blocked. Then, Fleming attempted a 33-yard kick to put the game away for the Eagles, but his attempt sailed left.

The Eagles finally scored in the third overtime when Rumph caught a 13-yard touchdown pass and sophomore quarterback



Tower Yearbook File Photo

The football game was broadcast to a national television audience on ESPN2.

Leonard Guyton scored the two-point conversion, giving the Eagles a 52-44 lead.

Northwest responded with a touchdown when Tony Miles took a reverse and ran 15 yards into the end zone untouched. Then the 'Cats tied the score when Travis Miles completed a pass to Comer for the two-point conversion, forcing the game into a fourth and final overtime.

The Bearcats began with runs by Jansen and then Travis Miles connected with Hill for a touchdown. However, the Eagles got to Travis Miles on the conversion attempt and sacked him, giving Carson-Newman a chance to take the title.

The Eagles moved the ball to the 12-yard line, but on first down, Oliver coughed the ball up and Miller fell on it for the Bearcats to earn the title.

"Me and somebody else were fighting for it, and Carson-Newman's running back was fighting for it too," Miller said. "It ended up being mine and my other teammate. I wasn't sure who it was, but I heard the ref come in there and say, 'It's dead, it's over.' I just took off running."

Immediately after the referees signal, Northwest fans flooded the field in celebration. Deafening cheers sounded, while the 'Cats could barely comprehend what had happened.

"It was just unreal," Travis Miles said. "This team was amazing all year long on both sides of the ball. Our seniors were great leaders. I'm just glad we got the seniors out on a winning note and in a game like this. It's one we'll never forget."

The warm afternoon sun had set quietly, giving way to the cool, night air, and the image of Tjeerdsma and senior offensive guard Chad Thompson on top of a podium, lifting the national championship trophy was instilled in everyone's memories.

The 8,451 fans that packed the stadium left slowly that night, and a few questioned that it truly was the greatest game ever.

## Coach resigns Northwest for Colorado University

Stories Published 1933

Coach Iba presented his resignation to president Lamkin Tuesday in order to take a position as coach at Colorado University, Boulder, Colorado. The resignation will take effect at the close of the summer term.

Coach Iba came here from Classen high school, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. At Classen he made an excellent record and took a to the finals in the National High School Basketball Tournament in Chicago.

Iba brought much of that team with him when he came to Maryville and around them he built a team that was of championship caliber during his four years at Maryville.

Twice the Iba team went to the National Basketball tournament in Kansas City and were nosed out by the Wichita Henrys 15 to 16 in the championship game.

Four of the team were All-American selections either on first or second team. These men were Jack McCracken, Tom Merrick, Roy Dowell, and H. Fischer.

Iba introduced a new system of play to basketball. He developed that could use that system effectively and in the four years at Maryville his teams have played 114 games and lost only 14 of these.

In the M.I.A.A. conference to which the school belongs, the Iba team lost only four games in that period.

The Maryville team had won the M.I.A.A. championship the year before Iba came here and with that record as a goal he developed a team that has repeated that performance every year since then, bringing a total to five consecutive championships.

Aside from his basketball he has assisted in football coaching as well as being in charge of the baseball team. The 1932 football team played nine games and was not beaten or scored upon.

Many excellent players have been developed by Iba who have outstanding in athletics both state wide and nationally.

At Colorado U., coach Iba will have charge of basketball, intramural athletics and will be assistant coach in football and baseball.

Colorado may be looked to for some damaging basketball machinery if Iba has the material out of which to build a team.

It is doubtless that Midwestern basketball standards will be raised with Iba at Colorado where the opportunity for more material will be available.

The Ibas will leave sometime in the late summer for Boulder.

## Untied, Undefeated Bearcats Win Over Mules by 12-0 Score

Published 1939

Local Eleven Captures Top MIAA Honors.

Coach Milner's Squad has not lost a game since 1937 season.

Maryville's undaunted Bearcats moved through their final games of the 1939 season last Friday afternoon although superstition and the weather were against them.

Don Paxson, diminutive Maryville fullback, breezed through the Warrensburg team and plodded down the rain-soaked gridiron making a 73-yard run to score a touchdown on the fourth play of the game.

The Bearcats top-flight place kicker, Ralph Kurtright of Albany, came back in the fourth quarter to boot two field goals and bring the final score standing 12 to 0.

Over 200 loyal Bearcat fans attended the game to make sure the local men would not be lacking in verbal support.

The Maryville supporters proved itself worthy as they made up practically half of the onlookers.

Besides winning the game from Warrensburg the Bearcats count this game as victory No. 18 as well as remaining one of the twelve undefeated teams of the nation.

Over 200 Bearcat fans attended the game in Warrensburg to show support.

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**FIRST ELECTRIC SCOREBOARD IN USE**

The first electric scoreboard was used in the gymnasium. It was a gift from the class of 1938.  
A new, more ferocious Bobby Bearcat was adopted.  
The college bookstore moved to a northeast room on the first floor of the Administration Building.

**SPECIAL ASSEMBLY HELD**

A special assembly was held so students could listen to President Franklin D. Roosevelt ask Congress to declare war on Japan. This led to a call to buy Defense Stamps, which was answered by 100 percent of the faculty and staff. One month later, John Hopple was listed as the College's first casualty in World War II.

**"HANGING OF THE GREENS" MOVED**

The "Hanging of the Greens" ceremony was moved to the President's home because the Residence Hall was being used to house Navy men.  
A motion was made in the Board of Regents to change the name of the College to Northwest Missouri State College. The Missouri General Assembly had passed an enabling act, however, the name was not changed until later.

**HICKORY STICK MISPLACED**

The hickory stick, a traveling trophy between Northwest and Northeast, now known as Truman State University, football teams, was found in the president's vault after being lost for several years.  
A building program was initiated. It included a Student Union and a men's dormitory in the Quadrangle to house 50 men, an additional 50 women were added to Residence Hall.

**STUDENT UNION GROUND TURNED**

The first chunk of earth was turned by student president Max Kinney, marking the foundation of the Student Union. Oct. 10, the "Bell of '48" was rung to signify the awarding of the contract for the building.

**RESIDENCE HALL WRECKED**

Residence Hall was wrecked and women were injured when the St. Joseph Light and Power Company's gas tank, located east of the hall, exploded. The following March, a fire occurred with the tanks of the Consumer's Oil Company. A petition circulated around the College students to ride the area east of Residence Hall of all gasoline and oil storage tanks, but was unsuccessful.

**STUDENT DIES AFTER EXPLOSION**

Freshman Roberta Steel died from burns she sustained from the April 1951 gas explosion at Residence Hall. She planned on returning to Northwest as a sophomore, but died on her 20th birthday from a burn relapse.

**BOARD OF REGENT REGULATES**

The Board of Regents made regulations concerning the number of automobiles on campus. The Board believed there was a traffic problem with the large amount of students and faculty driving.

**Bearcats defeat Kirksville 7 to 0**

Published December 1, 1931

And so we kept the cane in 1931 - Of course we had planned to do that - But - "What a game!" - Well, President Fair certainly wasn't wrong when he said in his letter to President Lamkin, "Whoever sees the Bearcats vs. Bulldog will exclaim, 'What a Game,' and our only regret is that he couldn't have been here to have heard the hundreds of similar expressions when the last muddy plunge on the field had been recorded.

What a tussel! Those boys had mud as well as blood in their eyes and that isn't all - there was mud all over them - A dirty game? One couldn't call it anything else but a dirty game, when the players were so rolled in muddy water that even their numbers couldn't be distinguished, and yet, as many who saw the struggle have expressed it, it was one of the cleanest games ever played in Maryville. According to many present, no finer, higher type of sportsmanship could have been displayed than was seen on the College gridiron in Maryville November 11 last week.

The ring in the ears caused by the firing of the guns in salute for Armistice Day, was simply nothing to the ringing and clanging that happened in the ears of those present when the Bearcats slowly but surely and

Star Bearcat center, played nearly the entire game with a broken jaw and badly cut mouth.

steadily approached the goal line at the North end of the field and when in the last minutes of play and on the fourth down the ball was thrust across the goal line the noise in the Bearcats was almost enough to put ears entirely out of commission. Hats, blankets, umbrellas, programs went so high in the air some of them never will be returned to their owners. The Bearcat Yell Leaders say the never got such a thrill as they did when the Bearcat rooters really turned loose and trained their horns on the scene of action.

The Bearcats' touchdown defeated the Kirksville Bulldogs for the third time in twenty-four or so years by a score of 7 to 0 and won the MIAA championship. In the closing minutes of play, a husky little freshman by the name of Wilbert Parker, carried the ball over for six points and then repeated for the seventh point. We wish praise to every player, and especially Herman Fischer for his excellent punting. There may be

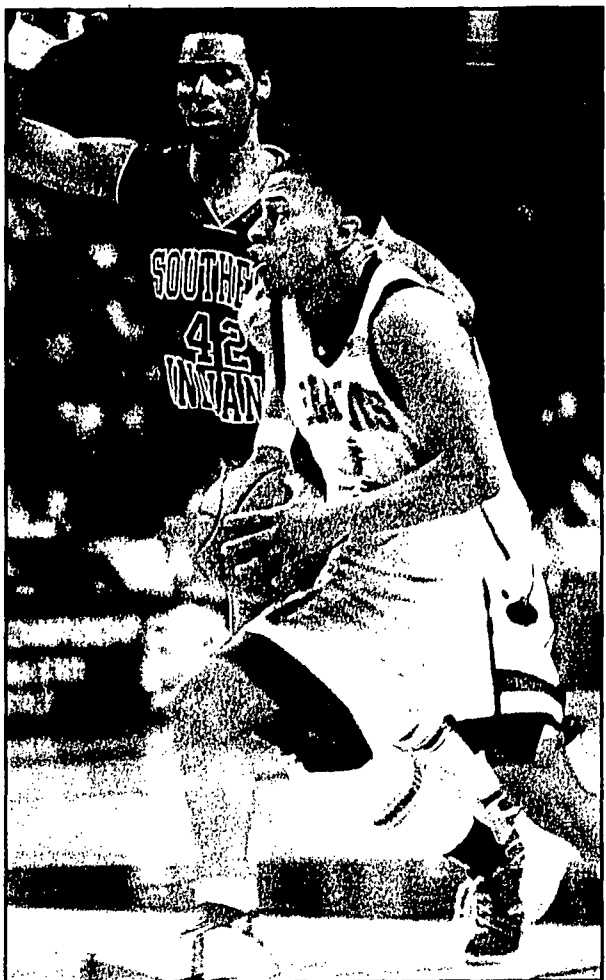
another unusual punter somewhere in the world but we don't believe there is one who could do what "H" did for his Alma Mater on the gridiron last Wednesday.

We wish to praise Quarterback Hatcher of the Bulldogs for gaining so much ground that in the first half it was acknowledged that the Bulldogs clearly outplayed the Bearcats.

We might mention that Coaches Davis and Iba had confidence in their second string men and it can certainly be said that the way in which the seconds responded speaks well for spirit which has prevailed in the Lair of the Bearcats all fall.

The Bearcats who were playing their last game of football on the Bearcat field were: Herman Fischer (co-captain), Frank Moore, a center, Walter Dowell, guard, Robert Dowell, tackle and brother to Walter Dowell, Wilber Stalcup, end, and president of the Student Council, Robert "Pop" Hodge, end, and Victor Mahood, end, who was not able to play in the game.

Mack Ruth, star Bearcat center, played nearly the entire game with a broken jaw and badly cut mouth. He refused to leave the game.



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**Cats' season ends with loss**

Published December 1, 1931

The Northwest basketball team had the situation they wanted, trailing by two points with 17.4 seconds remaining in Wednesday's game against Indiana-University-Pennsylvania.

Trailing 71-69 junior Scott Fleming stepped up to the line with a one-and-one foul situation and a chance to tie the game.

Fleming, who has made numerous clutch free throws in his three years at Northwest, missed the first free throw and Indiana University-Pennsylvania grabbed the miss.

Northwest head coach Steve Tappmeyer was surprised Fleming's shot didn't go down.

"(Fleming) doesn't miss many free throws, especially in clutch situations," Tappmeyer said. "If we had the situation again I would like him up there."

Indians' guard Aaron Faulkner then sank two free throws on the other end to give IUP a 74-69 lead with 14.3 seconds remaining.

The 'Cats still had a shot to get closer but sophomore Kelvin Parker turned the ball over and committed an intentional foul allowing the Indians to ice the game at the free throw line.

Northwest put itself in a hole in the first half that they worked the whole second half to dig out of.

Scoring only four points over a 9:55 span in the first half, IUP put together a 16-4 run and Northwest fell behind by nine points, 32-23 with 3:45 remaining.

Senior Jerry Hudson said the 'Cats did not settle into their offense in the first half.

Despite the 'Cats motionless offense they still shot 41.5 percent from the field in the game and 45 percent in the first half.

Junior Joel Yeldell ended the drought with a three-pointer to cut the lead to six points, and the 'Cats added another bucket to cut the lead to four points, 32-28.

Yeldell led the 'Cats with 16 points and made three key three-pointers to keep the 'Cats in the second half.

But IUP guard Wes Layton answered back with a three-pointer of his own to stretch the lead back to seven points.

Layton was the answer for IUP all night.

The senior had a career-high 27 points and was 7-of-10 from behind the arc, and 9-of-12 from the field. Of the four three-pointers Layton hit in the first half, none touched the rim.

IUP head coach Gary Edwards said Layton was the key for the Indians.

Despite Layton, the 'Cats cut the Indian lead to five points, 35-30 at half.

Northwest came out firing the second half.

Hudson scored underneath to open the second half, and Fleming answered with a three-pointer two possessions later.

After scoring only five points in the first half, Hudson got on track in the second scoring 10 points and finishing with 15 points, four rebounds and three assists.

The 'Cats ended the game with five players in double figures.



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**Neil competes in the Olympics**

Published July 10, 1936

Confident that he could cover over 50 feet in his hop-step and jump. Herschel Neil, Bearcat track star and Olympic finalist, left Maryville Tuesday evening at five o'clock for Randall Island in New York City where he will compete in final events Sunday.

Neil accompanied President Uel W. Lamkin by auto as far east as Chicago and from that point he continued to New York by train. He was due to arrive in New York sometime Thursday morning.

In New York, Neil plans to meet Coach Wilbur Stalcup who is, during this summer, taking scholastic work in Louisiana State University at Baton Rouge. After two days of training and one of resting, Neil will compete in both the 200-meter dash event and the hop-step-jump event.

If Neil wins one of the first three places in either event, he will sail

Herschel Neil competed in both the 200-meter dash and the hop-step-jump event.

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Monday morning with other members of the United States' Olympic track team for the Eleventh Olympiad being held this year in Berlin, Germany. There is also a chance that Neil may be chosen as a runner on the United States' relay team in the Olympic games.

Last Thursday night, the American Olympic track and field committee selected Neil as one of the qualifiers in the 200-meter dash at the Olympic finals at Randal Island in New York City. William J. Bingham, chairman of the Olympic Committee, made

the announcement.

Neil's selection was made on the basis of his performance in the Olympic Semi-Final two weeks ago in Milwaukee, Wis. The committee also selected 152 additional qualifiers for the 200-meter dash. Winners of the first and second place in the four semi-final trials already have been certified to the Olympic team finals, and a few were selected from the Princeton meet last weekend.

Neil will compete in both the 200-meter dash and the hop-step-jump event on the same day, Sunday.

During Coach Stalcup's absence this summer, Coach E.A. Davis and Herbert R. Dieterich, chairman of the College athletic committee have had charge of Neil's daily workouts.

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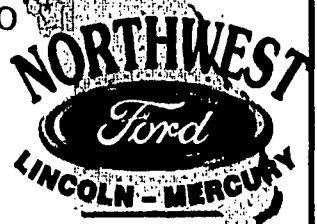
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## TRUMAN DEDICATES ARMORY

Former U.S. President Harry Truman dedicated the Martin-Pederson Armory to the campus. Mrs. Truman and Margaret Truman accompanied him. Graduate courses were offered to students for enrollment.

## PRESIDENT READY TO MAKE CHANGES

President J.W. Jones had been in office for 10 years. He believed that it was time for Northwest to undergo major changes. The college needed new dormitories and classrooms, and the Administration Building needed repairs to the plumbing and heating. The percentage of enrollment exceeded that of any other state-supported school in Missouri. If trends continued, Jones believed the enrollment would climb to an all-time high of 2,400.

## WOMEN EARN FIRST MASTERS'

The commencement speech was centered on women. The first master's degrees at Northwest were earned by two women from St. Joseph, Mo., Winifred H. Paddleford and Darlene Rodecker. Also, two members of the English department, Mattie Dykes and Estella Bowman, announced their retirement. They had 69 years of tenure totaled between them.

## BUILDINGS, STADIUM GET NAMES

Residence Hall officially became known as Roberta Hall. It was named after Roberta Steel who died in a gas explosion in 1952. The Freshman Hall was to be named Perrin Hall after Alice Perrin, Northwest's first dean of women. Hudson Hall was named after Nell Hudson, the College's first woman registrar. The library was named after C.E. Wells, who held the record for being Northwest's longest serving librarian. He worked at the College for 38 years. The athletic field and stadium was named after avid Northwest fan William Rickenbrode. He was the oldest employee at the College at the time of his death in 1956. President Robert Foster proposed to build two seven-story men's and women's air-conditioned dorms. This was to provide for the anticipated 4,800 students who would arrive within the next five years. The halls were financed by government loans and would each hold 330 occupants.

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## Building construction moves ahead

Published January 6, 1967

Construction of the new science building is moving at a rapid rate, according to Curt Fobair, superintendent for Glaze Construction.

The construction site, located behind the Administration Building, is a beehive of activity as the men working under the direction of Mr. Fobair do their respective jobs. There are approximately 40 men working on the building at present.

"Due to the good weather we've had, we are ahead of schedule," commented Mr. Fobair. "The foundation is almost finished. The drill piers and grade beams are in, and 75 per cent of the foundation wall is finished, leaving mainly forming and shoring."

A pan system, concrete poured over metal molds or pans, is being used for the floors. Each floor of the three-story building will cover an approximate area of 40,000 square feet. Six thousand yards of concrete will be used in the project, and approximately 1,500 yards have been used to date.

The building was designed by architects Herschman and Douglas, who also designed the addition to the Wells Library, the Fine Arts

6,000 yards of concrete was used to build the new science building.

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Building, and the new high rise residence halls. Mr. Fobair also has been the superintendent of these projects.

The project is expected to cost three million dollars. The Federal government will pay one million, and the State of Missouri will pay the rest.

The total project will be worked on by three firms, Glaze Construction, Industrial Heating and Plumbing, and Beadnell Electrical Corporation.

Although Glaze Construction anticipates completion of the building in January of 1968, Theodore Weichinger, acting chairman of the Department of Science, does not expect the building to be ready for use until the following fall semester.

## Professor dedicated to students

The Northwest Missourian, Brent Chappelow

In the early days of the University, students filed into Charles Hawkins' classroom to obtain knowledge of classical Latin.

Hawkins served as the Latin teacher for the Fifth District Normal School from 1913-1928. He was nationally acclaimed as a Latin scholar and many of the language's societies sent him difficult texts to translate.

However, Hawkins had no college degrees. Despite the lack of degrees, students and faculty respected him for his dedication to the language and Normal School students. When commencement activities occurred, faculty members abstained from wearing academic dress reserved for professors because Hawkins did not have a degree.

Since he taught at a teacher-training school, Hawkins spent much time working to place students as Latin teachers in high schools after graduation. Hawkins also worked to place students from other departments in teaching positions.

Hawkins was also known for his integrity. According to Mattie Dykes in "Behind the Birches," Hawkins did not see honesty as the "best policy," but rather the right thing. Hawkins was honest with his students, and he expected them to return that honesty.

Hawkins lived a simple life and worked diligently to ensure college education for his two sons. He worked without taking vacations, and found relaxation reading and taking walks.

## Protests break out on campus

The Northwest Missourian, Brent Chappelow

When police threw a single tear gas bomb into the middle of the crowd, the remaining stragglers gave up their sit-in and moved off U.S. Highway 71 back to campus.

With the Civil Rights Movement started to take hold of the nation, Northwest students found another reason for mass protest. The poor quality of cafeteria food led 1,600 students to gather April 10, 1964, for a discussion in Memorial Stadium.

The weekend featured a tornado which damaged the west and northwest parts of Maryville and caused \$1.5 million in damages.

The following Monday evening, students marched to the Nodaway County Courthouse and staged a sit-in until they decided to move their protest to U.S. Highway 71.

Stopping traffic for an hour late Monday night, April 13, the protest backed up traffic for three miles and served as the first mass student protest in the United States. The two-block perimeter around the student protest featured 40 law enforcement officers wielding control devices such as tear gas, riot sticks, guns and a police dog.

Student body president Glenn Askel convinced many of the protestors to return to the campus rather than continue to block traffic, and police used a single tear gas bomb to clear the road of the remaining students.

Following the evening's protest, College President J. W. Jones informed protestors he would not meet with a mob, but would be willing to meet with a student committee.

However, the next night, 1,500 protestors marched toward the Court House once again, but met a fire truck and police officers at the corner of 7th and Walnut streets. The fire hose helped push the students back toward campus, but students began to throw rocks. The police officers responded by throwing more tear gas bombs. Four students were arrested for disorderly conduct charges as a result of the protest.

Campus dietician and center of the student controversy M. T. Sheldon resigned Wednesday, April 15. Students worked with acting dietician Mary White and arrived at a decision that all students be allowed two liquid drinks at each meal.

David Herring and Edward Reeder faced dismissal from the College for instigating the protests and bringing negative publicity to Northwest, but the two men were able to withdraw from the school without having their records show dismissals.

The protests ended quietly and President Jones hired a new food service administrator, Glen Vogt, to oversee the new \$6,000 food improvement program the next fall semester.

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